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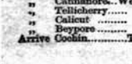

THE British India Steam Navigation Company (Limited), under contract with Government, despatch Steamers as above, with Mails, Passengers, and Cargo, every fourteen days.

The Steam-ship ARABIA, 1,627 tons, 200 H. P., Commander J. Saunders, will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 7th December at noon.

Leave Bombay	Dec. 7	Leave Galle	Dec. 14
„ Carwar	8	„ Negapatam	17
„ Mangalore	9	„ Madras	20
„ Coonanore	10	„ Vizagapatam	23
„ Calicut	10	„ Bimlipatam	23
„ Beypore	10	„ Coringa	24
„ Cochin	11	„ False Point	25
„ Tuticorin	12	Arrive Calcutta	26
„ Colombo	13		

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Passengers for Calcutta can take the same route, picking up the steamer at Madras.

No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

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(Interchanging Cargo and Passengers at Bussorah, to and from Bagdad, with the Euphrates and Tigris Steam Navigation Company.)

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The steam-ship ABYSSINIA, 1,129 tons, 200 H. P., Commander J. Tenneltox, will be despatched on MONDAY, the 29th November, at noon.

Up.	Nov.	Down.	Dec.
Leave Bombay	29	Leave Bussorah	17
„ Kurrachee..... Dec.	3	„ Fao	17
„ Guadur	4	„ Bushire	19
„ Muscat	7	„ Linga	21
„ Bunder Abbas.....	9	„ Bunder Abbas.....	23
„ Linga.....	10	„ Muscat	25
„ Bushire	13	„ Guadur	27
„ Fao	14	„ Kurrachee.....	29
Arrive Bussorah	15	Arrive Bombay	Jan. 1

N.B.—No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

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THE British India Steam Navigation Company (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, and in connection with the Weekly Service from England, despatch a Steamer to Kurrachee every Monday at noon.

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Steamers LORD CLYDE, GENERAL HAVELOCK, GENERAL OUTRAM, and TILLY.

ONE of the above Steamers will be despatched every week to and from the Malabar Coast, calling at the intermediate Ports on the following days :—

Down Steamers.		Up Steamers.	
Leave Bombay	....Saturday.	Leave Cochin	....Friday.
„ Ratnagherry	Sunday.	„ Beypore	....Saturday.
„ Malwan	„	„ Calicut	„
„ Vingorla	„	„ Tellicherry	„
„ Goa	....Monday.	„ Cannanore	„
„ Carwar	„	„ Mangalore	Sunday.
„ Compta	„	„ Compta	....Monday.
„ Coringa	....Tuesday.	„ Carwar	„
„ Cannanore	Wednesday.	„ Goa	....Tuesday.
„ Tellicherry	„	„ Vingorla	„
„ Calicut	„	„ Malwan	„
„ Beypore	„	„ Ratnagherry	Wednesday
Arrive Cochin	....Thursday.	Arrive Bombay	....Thursday.

The Steamer TILLY, Captain Kingcome, will be despatched according to the above table on SATURDAY, the 27th instant, at 5 P.M.

For freight and passage apply to

NOWROJEE BHICAJEE, Manager.

No. 6, Borah Bazaar Street, 22nd November, 1869.

WEEKLY COMMUNICATION WITH ENGLAND.

On Saturday, the 27th November, at 3 P.M., from Mazagon.

THE P. & O. Co.'s s. s. SUMATRA, (2,201 tons, and 500 H. P.,) Captain C. A. White, will LEAVE FOR SUEZ as above, carrying H. M.'s Mails, also Passengers and Cargo for that Port, Marseilles, Southampton, &c.

Cargo can also be booked through to Trieste, Venice, Genoa, Barcelona and Havre, Liverpool, or London.

No Cargo can be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 11 A.M. on Friday, the 26th instant.

Passengers are requested to send their heavy baggage to Mazagon before 10 A.M. on the day of the Steamer's departure, in order that it may be weighed and labelled previous to shipment.

A small Steamer will leave the New Dock Head at Mazagon for the convenience of Passengers at 3 P.M., precisely, on the day of sailing.

ALFRED PARISH, Acting Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Rampart Row, Bombay, 22nd November, 1869.

NEW OVERLAND ROUTE.

(via SUEZ CANAL.)

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(Inclusive of Wines, and all transit fees through the Canal.)

	1st Class.	2nd Class.
To Aden	£ 25	£16
„ Suez	£ 40	£ 22-10
„ Port Said	£ 42	£ 24
„ Marseilles	£ 56	£ 36

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Passengers by or for our Steamers will be furnished with First-class Tickets between Alexandria and Marseilles by Messrs. Fraissinet & Co.'s line for £10; making the passage-money between Bombay and Marseilles £50, exclusive of transit in Egypt.

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Steamers will leave Bombay every three weeks.

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The Steam-ship KRISHNA, 1,500 Tons, Captain Craddock, will be despatched on MONDAY, the 29th November.

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FRANCIS AZEVEDO.

NOTICE.—Mr. J. A. CARVALHO is AUTHORIZED to SIGN for ME per procuration from THIS DAY.

Bombay, 22nd November, 1869. FRANCIS AZEVEDO.

FOR THE DISTRICTS.

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NOTICE.—CONSIGNEES of CARGO per ship LALLA ROOKH, arrived from Calcutta, are requested to forward their Delivery Orders, accompanied by Bills of Lading for our countersignature, and to pay their Freight to us, and to send off boats at once for their Cargo, otherwise the Goods will be landed as they come to hand at the expense and risk of the consignees, as provided for in the Bills of Lading.

Captain Willis will not be responsible for the condition of any package after it leaves the ship's deck.

WALLACE & Co.,
Agents for Captain Willis, ship Lalla Rookh.

NOTICE is hereby given, that SHAMRAO MOROJEE has agreed to mortgage to MARWADI GOMA PITA, MULLOOKA GOOLABCHUND, JEETA AKHA, and DHUNRAJ GOOLAL among other things the following property. All persons having any claim thereto, or any part thereof, by way of inheritance, mortgage, lease or otherwise, are requested to make the same known to the undersigned, Solicitor to the Mortgagees at his Office, No. 11 Forbes Street, Fort, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the mortgage will be completed without reference thereto.

The property is in description as follows :—

All that piece or parcel of Government ground, with the dwelling-house standing thereon, situate in the subdistrict of Bhooleshwar, in the Native Town of Bombay, near the grand Portuguese Church, near Bhooleshwar, which said house is assessed under No. 18, and which said premises are bounded as follows, that is to say, on the north and east by property of Bhaskar Boomderjee, on the south by the property of Wittoba Shunker Senoy, and on the west by the property of Venayek Paradker.—Dated this 29th day of November 1869.

JOHN CLEARY,
Mortgagees' Solicitors.

IN the HIGH COURT of JUDICATURE at BOMBAY.—Ecclesiastical Side.

In the matter of the LAST WILL and TESTAMENT of Sha VIRPAR SOJPAR, deceased.

Nagjee Sodey.....Applicant.

NOTICE is hereby given, that an APPLICATION for PROBATE of the LAST WILL and TESTAMENT of the abovenamed deceased has been made to the High Court of Judicature at Bombay by the abovenamed Applicant, as the Executor, according to the tenor of the said Will, all persons concerned or interested in the said Estate are hereby informed thereof.

REMINGTON, HORE, & LANGLEY,
Applicant's Proctors.

Bombay, 25th November 1869.

TENDERS will be received by the Superintendent of Marine up to 1 P.M. on THURSDAY next, the 2nd proximo, for the CONVEYANCE RENCE to the ANDAMANS of about one hundred and thirty-seven Native CONVICTS, with two Native Warders and the proportionate Military Guard, and one subordinate Medical Officer, for which latter Officer a Cabin Passage and First Class Rations must be provided.

Fifty days' Provisions, Water, Firewood, &c., for the whole of the above party, and fittings for Convicts only, are to be supplied by the Owners, Agents, or Masters of the Vessels, the Provisions put on board being subject after shipment to the inspection of, and to rejection by, the Executive Commissariat Officer at the Presidency.

3. Medicines will be provided by the Medical Department, the cost of which is to be borne by the Owners, Agents, or Master of the Vessel.

4. Any surplus of Provisions, &c., that may remain on board at the end of the Voyage may be handed over to the Authorities at Port Blair, and the cost of the same, at the rate at which they were purchased, will be repaid by Government to the Owners, Agents, or Master of the Vessel in Bombay on receipt from the Authorities at Port Blair of a list of the articles made over to them.

5. For any inferior issue of Provisions during the voyage, the Owner, Agent, or Master of the Transport shall pay to Government double the price of the articles (as passed by the Survey Committee) which would have otherwise been consumed, the payment to be made before receiving the final medicum of the Passage Money.

6. The words "Tender for Convicts" should be superscribed on the Cover.

The Agents of Vessels tendering should distinctly state the exact date on which the Vessel will be ready for final survey.

8. The Superintendent of Marine does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any Tender.

By order of the Superintendent of Marine.
GEO. INGLE, Secretary.

Superintendent's Office, Bombay, 25th November 1869.

NOTICES.

THE JERUSALEM NEWS ROOMS, Corner of Forbes Street, Rampart Row. Ices and Light Refreshments may be had on the Premises.

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NOTICES.

NOTICE.—The Interest and Responsibility of the late Mr. SAPOORJEE BOMANJEE in the firm of Messrs. CURSETJEE BOMANJEE & Co., at Bombay, and Messrs. CAWASJEE PALLANJEE & Co., at China, CEASED from the 4th day of NOVEMBER 1869.

CURSETJEE BOMANJEE & Co.

Bombay, 17th November 1869.

NOTICE of REMOVAL.

WE have THIS DAY REMOVED our BUSINESS from 1 Hummum Street to 9 Church Gate Street, the same house that the Government Telegraph Department has occupied for the last three years.

J. & W. WATSON & Co.

1st November, 1869.

FREERE LAND COMPANY, Limited, (in Liquidation).—NOTICE is hereby given, that all persons having CLAIMS on the above Company are requested to SUBMIT the same to the undersigned for ADJUSTMENT on or before the 20th December 1869, after which date no Claims will be admitted, and the liquidation of the Company will be finally closed.

BYRAMJEE CURSETJEE, Liquidator.

1, Church Street, 19th November 1869.

FREERE LAND and RECLAMATION COMPANY, Limited (In Liquidation).—NOTICE is hereby given, that all persons having CLAIMS on the above Company, are requested to SUBMIT the same to the undersigned for ADJUSTMENT on or before the 20th December 1869, after which date no Claims will be admitted, and the liquidation of the Company will be finally closed.

BYRAMJEE CURSETJEE, Liquidator.

1, Church Street, 19th November 1869.

NOTICE.—THE ALBERT LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY having SUSPENDED PAYMENT in accordance with a Telegram received from Head Office, London, PREMIA payable at this Branch will still CONTINUE to be RECEIVED by the undersigned, on behalf of the Provisional Liquidator authorized by the Court of Chancery to receive the same, but such Premia will be returned on 1st January 1870 should re-construction or arrangements with another Company be not carried out.

By order of Directors,
D. McL. SLATER, Secretary,
For Provisional Liquidator.

Bombay, 19th August, 1869.

NERBUDDA COAL and IRON COMPANY (Limited.)

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Head Offices, 35A Moorgate Street, London, E.C.
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By order,
N. WOLLASTON,
Acting Manager, N. C. & I. Company, Limited.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.— An INTERIM DIVIDEND of Rupees Fifteen (Rs. 15), equivalent to £1-11 per Share, being at the rate of 12 per cent. per annum, on the Capital Stock of the Corporation, for the half year ending 30th June last, WILL BE PAID at this Office, to the Shareholders in India, on and after the 20th INSTANT.

The TRANSFER BOOKS at this Agency will be CLOSED from this date to 27th inst., inclusive.

By order of the Court of Directors,
J. MOIR, Agent.

Bombay, 23rd November 1869.

NOTICE.—BANK of INDIA (in Liquidation).—NOTICE is hereby given, that a FOURTH DIVIDEND, at the rate of Rs. 3¾ (Rupees Three and three quarters) per Share on the Old, and Rs. 2½ (Rupees Two and one quarter) per Share on the New Issue, will be paid to the Shareholders, at the Registered Office of the Company, No. 12, Elphinstone Circle, on WEDNESDAY, the 28th instant, between the hours of 11 A.M., and 4 P.M., and every following Wednesday during the same hours.

J. A. J. SHAW,
BERAMJI NAOROSJI, } Liquidators.

No. 12, Elphinstone Circle, Bombay, 21st July, 1869.

NOTICE.—The undersigned have made arrangements to REPRESENT the following FIRMS in INDIA, viz. :—

Messrs. PLATT, BROTHERS & Co., Ld., Machinists, Oldham,
Messrs. HICK, HARGREAVES & Co., Engineers, &c., Bolton,
Messrs. DANIEL ADAMSON & Co., Boiler Makers, &c., Newton Moor, near Manchester.

and are now prepared to EXECUTE ORDERS for every description of COTTON MACHINERY, ENGINES, BOILERS and MILL STORES.

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Broach, 22nd November 1869.

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NOTICE.—TO BE SOLD by PUBLIC AUCTION on FRIDAY, the 26th instant, at 1 P.M., at Butcher's Island (where it is now stacked) 9,000 Tons of STEAM COAL more or less, the property of Her Majesty's Government.

Terms of Sale.—The Coal will be put up by Auction at an upset price of Rs. 12, in quantities of 3,000 Tons each; and the sale will not be considered final until the receipt of the offer is sanctioned by Government; a Deposit of 25 per cent is to be immediately paid at the time of Sale; and good Security given for the Purchase for the payment of the remainder, which must be paid within eight days after the acceptance of the offer by Government, or the Deposits will be forfeited and the Coal resold for the benefit of the State.

The Coal will be weighed and delivered from the Scale; and it is to be taken indiscriminately from the heaps, as it now stand, by the Purchasers, and must be removed within fifty (50) days from the date of the Delivery Order, at a rate of not less than 60 Tons per day. Any further information can be obtained from the undersigned.

W. T. CROCKETT, Lieut. late I. N.,
Acting Marine Storekeeper.

Marine Storekeeper's Offic, Bombay, 19th November, 1869.

NOTICE.—TENDERS will be received at the Office of the Superintendent of Marine, up to 1 P.M. on TUESDAY, the 30th instant, from persons willing to supply SHIP TONNAGE, for the conveyance from Mangalore to Calcutta of about (80) Eighty Tons of Amandevi Coir, be the same more or less, which is now ready for Shipment, without delay.

2. The Tenders must specify the rate per ton of (4) four Candies, or two thousand two hundred and forty (2,240) Pounds, and the time when the Vessel will be at Mangalore to receive the Coir.

3. The Coir will be placed on board in Bundles, which must be preserved entire and delivered at Calcutta in like good order and condition according to weight.

4. The Master of the Vessel, or authorised Agent for the owner at Mangalore, will be required to see the Coir weighed and the Bundles counted and to sign the Bill of Lading or such other document connected with the lading of the articles, as the Acting Collector of South Canara may require of him.

5. The Freight will be paid in Calcutta on the completion of the delivery of the Coir, in conformity with the terms of the Bill of Lading.

6. The Superintendent of Marine does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By order of the Superintendent of Marine,
GEO. INGLE, Secretary.

Superintendent's Office, Bombay, 23rd November 1869.

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OLD TOM, GIN, 1st Quality	21 0
GENEVA (1 dozen Flasks in a case)	21 0
IRISH WHISKEY	25 0
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	Rs. as.
WHITE SEAL, an ordinary Dinner Wine	15 0
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BLUE SEAL, extra Pale Dry and delicate.....	22 0
GREEN SEAL, full bodied, light gold color, Nutty and Dry.	22 0
AMOROSO, very choice, full flavored, soft and Pale.....	28 0
AMONTILLADO, very choice and superior	32 0
EAST INDIA MADEIRA (one voyage).....	33 0

PORTS.

(Our own Brand.)

	Qts. Rs. as.	Pts. Rs. as.
A 1—OLD CRUSTED, choice	36 0	
A 1—GOLD SEAL, an invalid's wine, full and fruity.....	30 0	
1st Qlty. BLACK SEAL, a Dessert wine, mature....	24 8	14 0
2nd „ RED SEAL, a good wine	18 0	10 8

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	Qts. Rs. as.	Pts. Rs. as.
CHATEAU MOUTON...Gold capsule.....per doz.	30 0	16 0
CHATEAU RAUZAN...Black capsule ..... „	25 0	14 0
CHATEAU PALMER...Blue capsule..... „	22 0	12 0
CHATEAU LAROSE...Yellow capsule..... „	18 8	10 8
ST. JULIEN.....Green capsule ..... „	17 0	10 0
MEDOC (Cantenac) .....Red capsule..... „	15 8	9 0
MEDOC .....White capsule ... „	13 8	
HAUT SAUTERNES.....Red capsule..... „	22 0	12 0

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Quarts, in 1 „ „ „ 42 per „
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OLD PORT WINE, black seal, direct from Oporto, and a very good invalid wine, at Rs. 20 per dozen.

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In Quarts.....at Rs. 6 per doz.
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Do.	„ 6	„	pints.
PAUILLAC	„ 11	„	quarts.
Do.	„ 6-8	„	pints.
ST. ESTEPHE	„ 13	„	quarts.
Do.	„ 7-8	„	pints.
MARGAUX.....	„ 16	„	quarts.

Five per cent. Discount on taking 10 dozen.

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FOR SALE, at the Godown of the undersigned, No. 27 Meadow Street, the following Wines, shipped by Messrs. Finke & Co., Bordeaux :—

Claret.—Medoc St. Julien	each case	4 doz. Rs.	10 per doz.
Do. Pauillac	„	4 „ „ 12	„
1864 Mouton d'Armaillacq	„	1 „ „ 15	„
1864 Chateau Larose.....	„	1 „ „ 20	„
1864 Chateau Lafite	„	1 „ „ 25	„
Brandy.—Robin & Co.'s 3 years old	„	1 „ „ 22	„
Do.	„	10 „ „ 20	„
Finke & Co.'s fine Champagne Cognac	„	1 „ „ 20	„
Sherry.—Gibb & Bruce's green seal	„	2 „ „ 18	„
Do. red	„	2 „ „ 22	„
Do. Amontillado	„	1 „ „ 26	„
Robertson's blue seal	„	1 „ „ 16	„

MACNEE, THOMSEN, & WARNEKEN.

WINES.—FOR SALE, at the Godowns of the Undersigned—

FINE PALE SHERRY.....	Per dozen quarts.....	Rs. 22
CLARET LEOVILLE	„	17
„ MOUTON	„	17
„ LAROSE	„	15
„ ST. JULIEN	„	10
CHABLIS	„	17
BARSAC	„	17
WHISKEY, Irish	„	10
„ Scotch	„ .....

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Number of Shares.	Nominal value of sh.	Paid up.	Last dividend.	Names.	Cash Rates per Share.
	Rs.		p. a.		
100,000	100	all	10 p. ct.	Agra Bank	120
22,000	1,000	all	8 p. ct.	Bank of Bengal	1,550
10,000	500	all	6 p. ct.	Ditto of Bombay New	635
100,000	100			Ditto 2nd Res. Issue	213½
5,250	1,000	all	12 p. ct.	Ditto of Madras	1,599
20,000	250	all	9 p. ct.	Chartered Mercantile Bk. of L. & China	330
40,000	200	all	6 do.	Chartered Bk. of I. & C.	190
37,296	25	12s.	8 do.	National Bank of India	134
60,000	250	all	12 do.	Oriental Bank	440

LAND COMPANIES.

4,000	3,000	all	Rs. 65	Colaba Land Co.	1,720
10,800	1,000	all	Rs. 30	Elphi'st'ne Land	1,010
10,800	1,000	650	11-14	Do. New	640
15,000	150	all	Nil	Freare Land & Pier Co. Ld	190
2,000	5,000	4,100	Nil	Mazagon Land	1,320
5,000	2,000	1,480	Nil	Port Canning	345

PRESS COMPANIES.

150	5,000	2,850	35 p.c.	Akbar Cotton Press Co.	2,250
200	2,000	1,100	100 do.	Albert Co. hurrachee	625
250	2,00	850	60 do.	Alexandra Press Co.	500
	12,00	14,000	20 do.	Apollo Press Co.	8,000
200	2,00	all	375 do.	Bombay Press Co.	2,100
200	1,000	all	50 do.	Do. New	525
200	1,880	all	8 do.	Colaba Press Co.	2,000
330	2,000	all	...	East India Press Co	1,125
150	6,350	all	100 p.	Fort Press Co.	2,800
200	2,000	1,900	...	Framji Cowasji Press	1,050
200	6,000	all	246 p. c.	Hydraulic Press Co.	3,100
1000	5,000	2,950	150 p. c.	Kurrachee Press Co.	950
2,000	1,000	500	...	Mofus. Press & G. Co.	250
125	2,500	all	250*	Prince of Wales Press	3,000
220	2,500	75	300 p. c.	Victoria Press, Madras	1,050
150	2,000	all	...	Timevelly Press Co.	1,000

(* Per share for the half-year.)

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

...	£20	218.5.0	5 p. c.	G. I. P. Railway Consolidated Stock	227
...	£20	19.1.5	do.	Do. New £20 shares	198
...	£4	3.10.2	do.	Do.	...
...	£100	1,00	do.	B. B. & C. I. Railway Co.	1,100
...	£15	195.5.1	do.	Do. New Shares	195

BANKS IN LIQUIDATION.

		Date of L'dation.		
500	50	Jan. '36	Bank of Bombay	52
25	15	Do. China		54
200	25	Sept. '67	B'bay Trdg & B'kg	6
200	40	Sept. '67	Brokers' Bank	15
250	...	Mar. '66	Central Bank	5
...	...		East India Bank's	15–16
200	10	Feb. '67	Indian Peninsula	6
200	60	May '67	Royal Bank	12
120	66	Apr. '67	Old Financial	9

MISCELLANEOUS.

7 600	2,500	1,500	135 p. c.	Bombay Burmah Trading Corporation	819
4,000	50	all	5 p. c.	Mechanics' B'd'g's Co.	33
500	2,000	300	9	Kurrachee Landing and Shipping Company	160
2,000	500	all	Nil	Treacher & Co.	265

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

400	2,000	1,700	50	Albert Mills Co.	800
500	2,500	all	100 p. c.	Alliance Spinning	1,080
100	5,500	all	...	Bombay	2,800
300	1,000	all	10 p. c.	Bombay United	735
800	500	all	...	Broach Mills	245
300	3,000	all	...	Coorla Spinning	1,975
750	2,000	all	150 p. c.	Great Eastern	1,570
500	1,000	all	50	Manockji Petit's	710
9,800	2,500	all	...	Oriental	1,250
600	2,500	2,300	...	Royal	1,375

(* For the half year.)

PRICES OF BULLION, &c.

Sovereigns each	Rs.	16-6
Bank of England Notes	,,	10-4
Carolas	,,	280
Mexican Dollars	,,	220
Five-Franc Pieces	,,	208
Bar Silver	,,	106-1
Gold Leaf	,,	15-10
Bar Gold 10 oz. English	,,	16
Australian Gold	,,	196-9

BANK OF BOMBAY.

Government Securities	4 per cent.
Mercantile Bills	6 ,,

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Five-and-a-half per cent	113
Five per cent.	108
Four per cent.	94
Five per cent. (Public Works Loan)	103
Five per cent. Debenture Loan 1868–67	105
15 years' Debenture Loans	103
10 years' do. do	102
5 years' do. do	100
Six per cent. Municipal Loan House Rate	105
Do. Do. Market Rate	105

CALCUTTA.—20TH NOVEMBER, 1869.

The following transactions were reported to-day :—

In Government Securities :—

4 per cents at Rs 94-0 or 6-0 discount.

5 per cents of 1858–57, at Rs 108-2, and small sums at Rs 108-4 to 108-6.

5) per cents at Rs 112-10 and 112-12.

15 years Debentures, a small piece, at Rs 108-8.—*Englishman.*

MILITARY.

ARRIVALS.—NOVEMBER 25.

Baldwin, Ensign, 1st Battalion 11th Regiment, on medical certificate, from Lucknow.

Keith, Staff Assistant Surgeon, Medical Staff, on duty, from Wellington.

Sinclair, Major, Royal Artillery, on leave, from Ahmedabad.

Harris, Captain, Royal Horse Artillery, on leave, from Kirkee.

Leigey, Captain, 2nd Light Cavalry, on duty, from Neemuch.

Bellairs, Lieutenant, Royal Horse Artillery, on duty, from Bangalore.

DEPARTURES.—NOVEMBER 25.

Hannagan, Assistant Surgeon, Medical Staff, on duty, to Deolalee.

Drummond, Lieutenant, Assistant Superintendent of Police, on duty, to Chalisgaum.

Probyn, Captain, Superintendent of Police, Khandeish, on duty, to Khandeish.

Robertson, Assistant Surgeon, Staff, on duty, to Khandwa.

Macbean, Lieutenant Colonel, Bengal Staff Corps, Assistant Commissary General, on sick leave, to Europe.

Leven, Major, Bengal Staff Corps, Assistant Commissary General, on furlough, to Europe.

Keith, Staff Assistant Surgeon, Staff, on duty, to Kamptee.

Bellairs, Lieutenant, Royal Horse Artillery, on duty, to Kamptee.

ARMY GENERAL ORDERS.

By His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.

Poona, 24th November, 1869.

The Commander-in-Chief is pleased to make the following appointment :—

6th Regiment N I.—Major F T Cornewall, Staff Corps, to officiate as Wing Officer.

With reference to G O C dated 13th instant, the Assistant Adjutant General of the Army will also accompany the Commander-in-Chief to Bombay.

The undermentioned officer has obtained leave of absence, subject to confirmation by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief in India :—

Major R R Gillespie, 109th Foot, to proceed to England by the Overland route for the purpose of appearing before a Medical Board.

This officer is available for duty with troops, and will, on arrival, report himself to the Adjutant General Home Guards.

The undermentioned officers have obtained leave of absence :—

Cornet H F Berkely, 3rd Hussars from 9th November to 29th November 1869, in extension, to remain at Agra on medical certificate.

Lieutenant L L A Wise, 1st Battalion 8th Foot, from 14th November to 14th December 1869, in extension, to remain at Poonamallee on medical certificate.

Ensign N P Dunne, 1st Battalion 21st Foot, from 13th November to 10th December 1869, to proceed to Ghizree on medical certificate.

GENERAL ORDERS BY THE GOVERNMENT OF BOMBAY.

(*Bombay Government Gazette*, Nov. 25.)

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Lieutenant C. B. Hornbrugh, General List, Bengal Cavalry, is allowed furlough to Europe for twenty months, on medical certificate, under the Furlough Regulations of 1863.

Captain F. H. Sagrave, Staff Corps, Superintendent of Police, Punch Mahal Districts, is allowed furlough to Europe for fifteen months, on medical certificate, under Rule 15 of the Furlough Regulations of 1869.

Lieutenant R. M. Chambers, Adjutant 5th Regiment N. I., is allowed furlough to Europe for twenty months, on medical certificate, under the Furlough Regulations of 1854.

Major, J. P. Berthon, Staff Corps, Superintendent Cattle Farm, at Ahiguam, is allowed furlough to Europe for six months, on private affairs, under Rule 11 of the Furlough Regulations of 1868.

The leave, on medical certificate, granted to Surgeon Major J. R. Miller, officiating Examiner of Medical Accounts, in G. O. No. 1732 of 1869, is extended, on the same account, to the 15th December 1869.

The services of Lieutenant Colonel G. U. Price, Staff Corps, are placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.

Lieutenant J. Hudleston, Madras Staff Corps, is allowed furlough to Europe for two years, on medical certificate, under the Furlough Regulations of 1868.

Lieutenant Colonel G. S. Macbean, Bengal Staff Corps, Assistant Commissary General, is allowed furlough to Europe for two years, on medical certificate, under the Furlough Regulations of 1868.

Lieutenant George Elphinstone Erskine, Cadre 1st Regiment Light Cavalry, having completed twelve years' service, to be Captain by Brevet from the 4th November 1869, subject to Her Majesty's approval.

Captain H. F. Hancock, R. E., Deputy Consulting Engineer for Railways, is allowed furlough to Europe for one year and twenty days, from January next, under the Furlough Regulations of 1868.

1st Hospital Assistant, Luximon Cuddum, is dismissed the Service.

Colonel C. Adams, Her Majesty's 49th Regiment, is appointed to the Brigade Staff with the temporary rank of Brigadier General, in succession to Brigadier General Donnville.

Major G. H. Thompson, Bengal Staff Corps, is allowed furlough to Europe for two years, on medical certificate, under the Furlough Regulations of 1868, with permission to proceed by the Overland route.

The following adjustments of rank and promotion are made, subject to her Majesty's approval :—

Cadre 17th Regiment N. I.—Captain Sidney Armstead Smith, Staff Corps, to have the position of Captain from the 8th March 1864, vice Channing, retired.

Captain James Ducat, Staff Corps, to have the position of captain from the 16th September 1868, vice Hayward, deceased.

Major, Captain in Staff Corps, Henry Vaughan to have the position of Major from the 1st March 1869, vice Reynolds, promoted and removed, in succession to Beale, deceased.

Infantry.—Major, Captain in Staff Corps, Henry Vaughan, Cadre 17th Regiment N. I., to have the position of Lieutenant Colonel from the 2nd August 1869, in succession to Anderson, deceased.

Cadre 17th Regt. N. I.—Captain Claude Malet Ducat, Staff Corps, to have the position of Major from the 2nd August 1869, vice Vaughan, promoted and removed.

Cadre 29th Regiment N. I.—Captain John Jopp, Staff Corps) to have the position of Captain from the 23rd July 1869, vice Phillips, retired.

General List Infantry.—Captain John William Garrick, 109th Foot to have the position of Captain from the 1st March 1869, vice Boulton, Cadre 31st N. I., promoted.

Captain, Lieutenant in Staff Corps, Alexander Wood to have the position of Captain from the 2nd August 1869, vice Macleod, Cadre 31st N. I., promoted.

Captain James Ketchen to rank as Captain from 2nd August 1869, vice Castell, Cadre 4th Regt. N. I., promoted.

Captain, Lieut. in Staff Corps, Felix Walker Beam to have the position of Captain from the 24th August 1869, vice Newton, Cadre 11th Regiment N. I., deceased.

Lieutenant Alfred Hobart Wodehouse to be Captain from the 31st October 1869, vice William, Cadre 30th N. I., promoted.

Lieutenant Piercy Henderson Greig to be Captain from the 31st October 1869, vice Wallace, Cadre 2nd Gr. N. I., promoted.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

Azum Nursoo Chintamun, acting. 1st Carkoon of Mandvee, is invested with the powers of a Subordinate Magistrate of the 2nd Class in the Surat District.

Mr. A. R. Scoble to act as Advocate General during the absence of the Honourable Mr. White, on leave, or until further orders.

Mr. J. P. Green to act as Remembrancer of Legal Affairs, vice Mr. Scoble, or until further orders.

Azum Ramchundra Bapoojee, Head Carkoon of Talooka Jamkheir, is invested with the powers of a Subordinate Magistrate of the 2nd Class, in the Ahmednuggur District.

Lieutenant G. H. F Codrington, Acting District Superintendent of Police, Kulladghee, has passed an examination in the Marathi language, according to the test prescribed in Government Notification of 12th August 1863

Captain E. W. Trevor, Second Class Deputy Collector and Magistrate of Shikarpoor, acted as District Superintendent of Police at that Station from 21st July 1869, during the absence of Lieutenant G. B. Simpson on privilege leave.

Lieutenant Colonel J. E. Westropp, Cantonment Magistrate at Ahmedabad, is allowed six weeks' privilege leave from 20th ultimo, in lieu of the preparatory leave for thirty days granted to him in Division Orders, N. D. A., of 15th idem.

Mr. H. D. E. Forbes, Supernumerary Deputy Collector, Hydrabad, is invested with the powers of a Subordinate Magistrate of the 2nd Class, in the Hydrabad District.

Mr. W. S. Forman, Acting Third Assistant Collector of Ratnagherry, is invested with the powers of a Magistrate in that District.

Azum Nundshunkur Tooljashunkur, Mamlutdar of Unkleour, is invested with the powers of a Subordinate Magistrate of the 1st Class in the Broach District.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Mr. J. S. E. Manley, Cotton Inspector for Sattara, Sholapoor, Ahmednuggur, and Poona, has been allowed privilege leave of absence for 45 days.

Mr. A. A. C. Jervoise, to act as Extra First Assistant to the Collector of Kaira for the Punch Mahals, during Mr. Propert's absence on leave.

Mr. C. M. Hogg, First Assistant Collector of Tanna, is allowed furlough for two years on private affairs, under Chapter I. Section 7 of the Covenanted Civil Service Absentee Rules of 1868, from the date of sailing of the Second Mail Steamer in March next.

The Honourable A. F. Bellasis, Commissioner of Customs, Salt, and Opium, is allowed privilege leave of absence for two months, under Sections 18 and 19 of the Covenanted Civil Service Rules of 1868.

Mr. L. Reid to Act as Commissioner of Customs, Salt, and Opium during the Absence of the Honourable A. F. Bellasis.

Mr. J. A. G. Duff to act as First Assistant Collector of Canara, vice Mr. A. A. C. Jervoise.

Mr. H. Crowe acted as Second Assistant Collector of Poona from the 12th to the 28th September last, both days inclusive.

Mr. H. V. S. FitzGerald, Acting Superannuemery Deputy Collector in the Kurrachee District, has been allowed leave of absence, on medical certificate, for six weeks, from the 11th instant.

Meer Ameer Ali Khan, First Class Extra Assistant Collector in the Shikapoor District, was allowed leave of absence, on medical certificate, for one month from the 9th ultimo.

GENERAL DEPARTMENT.

Mr. P. Ryan, Assistant Secretary to Government in the Political Department, performed, in addition to his own, the duties of the Oriental Translator to Government, during the latter Officer's absence on privilege leave, from 2nd August to 12th September 1869, both days inclusive.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Colonel W. Kendall, R. E., received charge of the Office of the Superintending Engineer, Southern Division, from Captain R. S. Sellon, R. E., on the forenoon of the 16th November 1869.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

(*Irrigation Branch.*)

Mr. Reinold, Assistant Engineer, held charge of the Office of the Executive Engineer for Irrigation, Sattara, from the 27th August to 31st October 1869, during the absence of Captain Penny, in the Madras Presidency on special duty.

Mr. Parry, Assistant Engineer, held charge of the Office of the Executive Engineer for Irrigation, Sholapore, from 29th August to 31st October 1869, during the absence of Mr. Campbell, in the Madras Presidency on special duty.

GENERAL ORDERS BY THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF IN INDIA.

Head Quarters, Komar Huttee, 11th November 1869.

Local rank is assigned to the undermentioned Officer :—

1st Battalion 11th Foot.—Lieutenant Colonel T. Peebles to be Colonel, from the 7th June 1869.

The Commander-in-Chief in India is pleased to make the following appointments, subject to approval by Her Majesty :—

2nd Dragoon Guards.—Paymaster and Honorary Captain Robert S. Rouse, from the 3rd Hussars, to be Paymaster, vice Lukin, who exchanges. Dated 4th November 1869.

3rd Hussars.—Paymaster and Major Frederick W. Lukin from the 2nd Dragoon Guards, to be Paymaster, vice Rouse, who exchanges. Dated 4th November 1869.

2nd Foot.—Major and Brevet Lieutenant Colonel James Rose to be Lieutenant Colonel, without purchase, vice Addison, seconded on appointment as Brigadier General on the Bombay Establishment. Dated 20th October 1869.

Captain and Brevet Major, Local Lieutenant Colonel, Frederick Connor to be Major, without purchase, vice Rose promoted. Dated 20th October 1869.

Lieutenant Del. R. Anderson to be Captain, without purchase, vice Connor, promoted. Dated 20th October 1869.

Lieutenant, Local Captain, Henry Flood to be Captain, without purchase, vice Anderson, who is supernumerary to the establishment. Dated 20th October 1869.

Ensign John Ferguson to be Lieutenant, without purchase, vice Flood, promoted. Dated 20th October 1869.

The Commander-in-Chief is pleased to make the following appointments :—

Landour Convalescent Depot.—Major and Brevet Lieutenant Colonel E. Chippendall, C. B., 1st Battalion 19th Foot, to be Commandant, vice Dawson, whose term of Command has expired. Dated 4th November 1869.

15th Bengal Cavalry.—Captain C. R. Pennington, Staff Corps, late Adjutant of the Regiment, to be 1st Squadron Subaltern, as a special case, vice Thomson, appointed Adjutant. Dated 6th November 1869.

7th Native Infantry.—Lieutenant G. Logan, 1st Wing Subaltern, to be Adjutant, vice Drummond, permitted to exchange appointment. Dated 9th November 1869

Lieutenant F. C. W. Drummond, Adjutant, to be 1st Wing Subaltern, vice Logan, permitted to exchange appointment. Dated 9th November 1869.

25th Native Infantry.—Lieutenant W. V. Ellis, from 1st Wing Subaltern 19th Native Infantry, to be 1st Wing Subaltern, vice Farwell, appointed Quartermaster to 31st Native Infantry. Dated 9th November 1869.

Official notification has been received of the undermentioned Officer having been removed to the battalion of his regiment as specified :—

6th Foot—Lieutenant C. D'O. Bowers, 1st Battalion.

Official notification has been received of the undermentioned Officers having, on their recent promotion, been posted to the battalions of their regiments specified :—

7th Foot.—Lieutenant C H. Sheffield, 1st Battalion.

23th Foot.—Lieutenant Colonel H. Pears, 1st Battalion.

Major F. S. Hallowes, 1st Battalion.

Captain J. I. Dobson, 2nd Battalion.

Lieutenant A W Turnbull, 1st Battalion.

Under instructions from the Horse Guards, the names of the undermentioned Officers are to be added to the list of Officers detailed for duty at the depots of their regiments published in G. O. C. C. of the 4th October 1869, p. 450 :—

1st Battalion, 11th Foot.—Lieutenant C. S. Bailey.

2nd Battalion, 25th Foot.—Captain N. C. Ramsay.

2nd Battalion, 60th Foot.—Lieutenant H. A. H. Ward.

Surgeon Major R. J Atkinson is, at his own request, transferred from the 26th to the 35th Native Infantry, from date of arrival of the former corps at Meean Meer.

The undermentioned Officers are permitted to join the Senior Department of the Thomason College, Roorkee, and to study therein from the 1st January to the 1st November 1870 :—

Ensign H. F. Smith, 88th Foot.

Lieutenant H. C. Reynolds, 106th Foot.

The leave granted to Captain L. A. Powys, 59th Foot, in G. O. C. C. dated 13th October 1869, p. 457, is cancelled.

The leave granted to Lieutenant Colonel D. McNeill, Royal Artillery, in G. O. C. C, dated 13th September 1869, p. 423, is cancelled.

The leave granted to Cornet B. W. Blake, 20th Hussars, in G. O. C. C. dated 13th October 1869, p. 457, is cancelled

1st Class Veterinary Surgeon J. Ferris, A Brigade, Royal Horse Artillery, is directed to proceed to Lucknow and assume veterinary charge of the horses of the 5th Lancers, vice Stanley, proceeded to Europe on medical certificate.

SHIPPING.

DAILY FREIGHT REPORT—25TH NOVEMBER.

London	Cotton	£2 5s. 0d.	Nom. p. ton
	Cases	£2 0s. 0d. to £2 5s. 0d.	,,
	Seeds	£1 10s. 0d.	,,
Liverpool	Iron Ships Cotton	£1 12s. 6d. to £1 12s. 6d.	,,
	Wooden Ships ,,	£1 12s. 6d.	,,
	Myrabolns & Coir bds	£0 10s. 0d. to £0 12s. 0d.	
	Seeds	£0 15s. 0d. to £1 0s. 0d.	
Havre	Cotton	£2 0s. 0d.	Nominal.
Overland	Steamers	£3 0s. 0d.	
China	Steamer Cotton	Rs. 3 to 4	per bale.
	Opium	Rs. 25 to 30	per chest.
	Sailing Ships		Nominal
Calcutta	Salt	Rs. 3 0 0 to 4 0 0	per ton.
Calcutta to Bombay		Rs. 12 to 14 and Calcutta Port Charges	
Mauritius		8 annas per bag nominal.	

ARRIVALS.

Nov.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
25	Mahi	Nacoda	Colombo, Oct. 24.
	Baron Mcauntby	Cunningham	Rangoon, Oct. 6.
	Malta	Carrigall	Rangoon, Sept. 30.
	Fanny	Weir	Rangoon, Oct. 19.
	Zelica	Stephens	Rangoon, Oct. 19.
	F. F. O. Heyn	Broksch	Rangoon, Aug. 8.
	Nagpore	Trevellick	Bassein, Oct. 1.
	Dividdale	Nicol	Calcutta, Aug. 10.
	East	Callender	Moulmain, Oct. 19.

The P. and O. Co.'s steamer Emeu, Babot, bound to Hongkong, obtained her port clearance yesterday.

The ship Jalawar, to Mauritius, began to load yesterday.

BENGAL.

ARRIVALS.—November 20th, Steamer Moulmein, [B], J Ewart, Akyab 15th November, touched at Chittagong 18th November; Ships Nova, [B], James Mitchell, Glasgow 6th July; Rose, [B], G D Vos, London 23rd July; Sivilla, [B], James Rock, Troon 4th July; City of Foo Chow, [B], J Tait, Glasgow 16th July; and Jonawur, [B], Wright, Bombay 12th October.

Particulars of vessel previously announced.—Barque Goodell, Gamelan, [], L S Brackett, Liverpool 3rd July.

DEPARTURES.—Steamers Caina, Glenastney, Ship Her Majesty and Barque Nonantum.

REMARKS.—Galle, 19 h—H M's Ship Kwung Tung from Port Blair arrived yesterday.

Galle, 20th.—H M's Ship Kwung Tung sailed for Bombay at 10-20 h.

The following is a list of passengers per s s Moultan, sailing on the 23rd November :—

For Madras—Mr McCallum.

For King George's Sound—Mr William Brockman.

For Melbourne—Mrs Pearson, Rev. and Mrs C Gaustad and infant, Mr J K B Lawrence, Mr and Mrs Fraser, and Mr John T Cormack.

For Marseilles—Capt and Mrs R Money and family, Mr J H Adams, and Lieut Dundas.

For Southampton—Mrs J Daniell and family, Miss E Naylor and servant, 2 Misses Thompson, Mr and Mrs Thorpe, Capt Pemberton and family, Mr and Mrs Manners and 6 children, Mr W H Heath and Mr John Stock.

POSTAL NOTICES.

OVERLAND MAILS.

The Overland Mail, per P. and O. Co.'s steam packet, will be closed on SATURDAY, the 27th Nov., at 2 P.M.; the after-packet at 3 P.M. After-packet letters will not be forwarded unless an 8-anna Stamp is affixed to the letter in addition to the postage. Registered letters will be received until 1 P.M. The latest hour for posting at the several Branch Post Offices is 1 P.M.

The dates of departure of the Overland Mails from Bombay during 1869 are fixed as follows :—

Saturday	Nov. 27	Saturday	Dec. 11
,,	Dec. 4	,,	,, 18
		,,	,, 25

CHINA MAILS.

The Post Office Packets for Ceylon, Penang, Singapore, and Hongkong, per P. & O. Company's steamer, will be closed on FRIDAY, the 26th Nov., at 9 A.M. A packet for late letters will be kept open on payment of the usual fee until 10 A.M. Registered letters will be received until 6 P.M. of the previous day.

Friday	Nov. 26	Friday	Dec. 24
,,	Dec. 10		

AUSTRALIAN MAILS.

The Post Office Packet for Australia, per P. & O. steamers will be closed on 9 A.M. on the following dates; the regulations regarding late and registered letters being the same as those for the China Mail :—

Friday	Nov. 26	Friday	Dec. 24

MAIL BETWEEN CALCUTTA, THE STRAITS, AND HONGKONG.

Under arrangements made with the owners of the Opium Steamers, which will ply monthly between Calcutta, the Straits, and Hongkong, these Steamers will in future, be closed as Indian Mail Packet, and that Letters, Newspapers, and Packets of Newspapers, Books, or Patterns will be forwarded by them from Calcutta for the Straits and Hongkong under the same conditions, and at the same rates, as similar articles forwarded by British Mail Packets [Peninsular and Oriental Company]. This arrangement will commence with the first Opium Steamer which leaves Calcutta in April.

These Steamers leave Calcutta about 12 days more or less after the Opium Sales of the season, the advertised dates of the Opium Sales for the current year (1869) being December 6th.

Mails for the United States of America, via Hongkong, can be forwarded by these Steamers at the same rates and under the same conditions as by British Packets.

The Opium Steamers proceed from Calcutta direct to the Straits and thence to Hongkong, and the time of transit from Calcutta to Hongkong is only about 15 days, that is, about 7 days less than the time taken by the British Packets (Peninsular and Oriental Company), which proceed by the more circuitous route of Madras and Galle.

ADVERTISING AT RAILWAY STATIONS.

THE Proprietor of the "Bombay Gazette" Press having leased (among other privileges) from the Great Indian Peninsula Railway Company, and the Bombay, Baroda, and Central India Railway Company, the exclusive right of advertising at all the Railway Stations belonging to those two Companies, is prepared to contract with parties desirous of posting Notices or Advertisements on the lines.

The announcements may be in English or in any of the Native languages.

The advantages which Railway Stations present as a means of bringing intimations of all kinds before the public have been demonstrated in England by the extensive use which is made by Advertisers, of every station, great and small, along every line in the United Kingdom.

Insurance Companies, Shipping Companies, Hotel-keepers, Merchants, Traders, and others who wish to force their business on the notice of the public, all alike value the privlege of Railway Station Advertising.

There is no reason why the privilege should not be also specially valuable to Advertisers in India. Looking to the great and increasing number of Native Passengers on the two trunk lines of Western India, native merchants, traders, &c., seeing that they have the privilege of advertising in their own language, Advertisers would find the publication of their announcements at Railway Stations a decided means of extending their business.

Placards, according to the taste of Advertisers, may be pasted at the "Bombay Gazette" Press.

Advertisers can select the Stations, on either line, at which they wish their Placards posted, and may advertise for any period that may be agreed on. The charges have been fixed on an extremely moderate scale to encourage Advertisers to make a liberal use of the new means now offered of making announcements known to the public.

Terms of Advertising may be learned on application to the Manager, "Bombay Gazette" Press.

"Bombay Gazette" Press, 1869.

JOB PRINTING in all its BRANCHES.—Ornamental Printing in Colours and in Gold. Bills, Broadsides, Theatrical and Musical Programmes, Cards of all descriptions; Banking and Mercantile Ledgers, Memo. Heads, &c., &c. Machine-ruling and Paging, and Bookbinding. Estimates forwarded on application to the Manager.

BOMBAY GAZETTE STEAM PRESS.

COPPER-PLATE PRINTING, ENGRAVING, &c.—VISITING CARDS, Invitation Cards, Wedding Cards and Envelopes, Cheques, Bills of Lading, Office and Bank Seals, Seals for Stamping Envelopes, &c., engraved to order, and at moderate prices. Specimens may be seen at the Office of the "Bombay Gazette" Press.

MR. A. MENIST,

OCULIST OPTICIAN

(FROM AMSTERDAM AND LONDON,)

RESPECTFULLY announces his RETURN to Bombay, and desires to intimate that, owing to his numerous engagements, he will REMAIN for a SHORT TIME longer, and may be consulted at his Residence, PALLONJEE'S ADELPHI HOTEL. The numerous testimonials Mr. M. has received (which have duly appeared in the local papers) are a sufficient guarantee of the success with which he has treated the several cases of hitherto-neglected eye-sight; comments, therefore, on the superiority of his glasses over all others in the Presidency are unnecessary. For the guidance of those who are using pebbles, Mr. M. begs to state—firstly, that if the pebbles are cut against the grain they injure the eyes, and that such defects can only be discovered by Practical Opticians; secondly, if they are not polished on a scientific principle, they are equally injurious to the sight. Mr. M.'s pebbles will be found polished on a principle *peculiarly his own*, and they will be found specially adapted to the Indian climate. He has a large stock of the above unmounted for those who wish to avail themselves of this rare opportunity of possessing these really superb lenses. Ladies and gentlemen desiring Mr. M.'s attendance at their own residence will be good enough to give him one day's notice.

N.B.—Small Binoculars of great magnifying power, containing 12 lenses instead of six.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

[THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS ONE RUPEE, AND THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED.]

BENGAL.

MONTRIOU—November 20th, at Bhangulpore, the wife of Captain Moutriou, Adjutant, 37th Bengal N. I., of a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

MACGREGOR—MACFARLANE—November 17th, at St. Andrew's Church, Calcutta, by the Rev. J. W. Thomson, W. MacGregor, Esq., Tirhoot, to Jessie Jane, daughter of the late A. MacFarlane, Esq.

NOTICE.

All CHEQUES, MONEY ORDERS, and other Remittances sent to this office, should be made payable to the "Proprietor of the *Bombay Gazette*."

Bombay Gazette Office, Bombay.

The Bombay Gazette

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 1869.

THE sound of tom-tom and of pipe and other noisy symptom of the natives' hearts being glad within them, which came to our ears on the evenings of the fifteenth and sixteenth of this month, announced that the natives were celebrating the feast of the goddess Tulsi, divine goddess of marriage, and that from the date of their rejoicing the marriage season of the higher castes had commenced. For the next two or three months, therefore, those of our fellow-countrymen whose misfortune it is to live within earshot of a native town or settlement, will have to listen to almost endless tom-toming to the never-ceasing screech of the unmelodious pipe. The annoyance, however, is small compared to the gratification it appears to give the many. Let every one enjoy himself after his own fashion, we will not criticise enjoyments, because we fail to appreciate them. Men of large property pinch themselves all the year round; a merchant, whose income is reckoned in thousands of pounds, sits down daily to a dinner which costs a few annas, and then spends willingly one or even two thousand pounds on his little son's nuptials. Rich men who are not misers, living meanly and yet spending magnificently on a marriage feast, is a phase of Oriental character with which we Western natives have little sympathy, and can, therefore, scarcely attempt to reason upon. We do not wish to cavil at it, nor do we wish to be impressive on the tom-toming, or the processions of bride and bridegroom from the tiny children placed on horses decked in fine clothes and looking helpless and victim-like—the fireworks and the other expensive accessories of an Indian marriage ceremony. From an European point of view it is, or might be, easy to look on and demonstrate what an utter waste of time and money it is, and how little real enjoyment can be got out of it. From the Oriental stand-point we will look at it then, and pronounce it good, and, for aught we know, not out of keeping with the Shastras. We do not wish either, in this place, to question the prudence or morality of these early marriages; we only wish to point out what harm they do the country. This is not the first notice we have taken of the subject; last year we tried to point out how the poorer people were all more or less financially crippled, in many cases ruined, by this excessive spending of money on a private ceremony; at present every man feels an obligation to spend money on his son's wedding as money was spent on his, and were he not to do so, his children would remain unmarried, and he and they be disgraced, and probably not allowed to associate with their fellows, would lose all that made life enjoyable, nay, bearable. Last year (or rather at the commencement of this year) we pointed out how in nearly every case the ryot must have recourse to the sowkar, who is more harmful than his brethren of the Western world, because he preys on an ignorant, untaught race, yet in a country where the action of the Courts in recovering debts is certain. And we tried to show (and it is not unreasonable to think) that though the sum borrowed be not large, say one hundred or two hundred rupees, a debt of this amount is very difficult for a ryot, with the proceeds of a small holding for all his income, to pay off, and is far more likely to increase than to decrease. Such a sum, borrowed to make improvements on his land, he can pay, perhaps, from the increased fertility of the land, watered by the well he has built, or which he has cleaned from overgrowth. But a sum of this amount, and it is often larger, is difficult to repay when it has been spent unproductively, and thence it is our ryots sink, as they all do, into debt and difficulty, that the land suffers, and private enterprise is stopped; and yet just such a sum every ryot must, perforce, borrow once, twice, three, or more times in his life, according to the number of children born to him, and therefore we think we are justified in maintaining that this practice of spending large sums of money on every marriage ceremony is one which does ruinous harm to the country. We do not see how the ryots are to keep out of debt as long as this practice continues. They accept it as a custom handed down by their forefathers, and therefore right, and it is not their habit to grumble at a necessity to doubt the perfect truth of the doctrine that "whatever is, is right." The movement must, therefore, be from above. It may be answered that if the money were not spent in ceremonies, it would be hoarded in jewels and ornaments, and that it matters but little whether the hoards of the country are in large lumps with the traders or in smaller lumps with the people. But recent correspondence has shown that, in the north of the Presidency at all events, the people are beginning to purchase expensive machinery, but that the necessary capital is wanting as yet. Three or four club occasionally together and purchase it, and Government advances (Tuccavi) have been made. That capital is necessary in order to develope the resources of the country, is a trite sentence which every politician, every publicist, every journalist is constantly repeating, and not only capital in large sums, but in smaller ones. If the cultivating classes, who hold nearly all the land in the country, could expend small sums on their holdings, could afford to buy machinery and improve their land, Government would have to do less in irrigation and other works; the price of land would probably increase, and bad years would be provided against, and we are confident it stands to reason that this accumulation of capital is prevented by the excessive sums spent on ceremonies. The ryot is not given to luxurious eating and drinking, be his pocket never so full of money; he is of a cautious, saving nature really, and is always ready to turn his rupees into bangles and ornaments easily saleable, and if he thought he could, by improvements to his land, invest his money equally safely, we are sure he would do so;

Fourth Judge, Messrs. Stenhouse and Co., agents of the ship Bedfordshire, sued Dhunjee Mooljee to recover Rs. 61, amount of difference in freight. It appeared that the defendant took a shipping order from plaintiffs for one hundred bales of cotton to be shipped per Bedfordshire in Liverpool, in the name of Valljee Purshotum, at £1-10 per ton; and that it was agreed that the bales should be shipped in one week from 29th July 1869, but the defendant failed to fulfil the contract, and consequently plaintiffs were compelled to relet the order on his (the defendant's) account and risk. Defendant admitted the debt, and the Court gave verdict for plaintiffs for the amount claimed, with the costs incurred by them in filing the suit.

THE provisions of Bombay Act VI. of 1863, entitled "An Act for the regulation of public conveyances in the town, suburbs and harbour of Bombay," are to be extended from the 1st day of January 1870 to the town of Tanna. The Act is to be in force within the municipal limits of Tanna, and all magistrates having jurisdiction within those limits are vested with the powers conferred by the Act on the magistrates of police in Bombay, and the District Superintendent of Police at Tanna is authorized and appointed to perform the duties assigned by the Act to the Commissioner of Police in Bombay. The balance of the fees and fines levied under the operation of the Act shall be paid to the Municipal Commissioners of Tanna, to be applied to the purposes of Act XXVI. of 1850 and Act II. of 1862 (Bombay).

MR. MENZIES, optician, will leave Bombay in the first week in December.

THE Assistant Adjutant General of the Army has been directed to accompany His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief to Bombay.—*Poona Observer*, Nov. 25.

JOHN CANDLISH, Esquire, and Captain F. Beaumont, Royal Engineers, of the Abyssinian Commission, arrived in Poona by Monday night's train.—*Ibid.*

ADDITION TO THE PORTRAIT GALLERY.—We are requested to state that the portrait of Bhow Dajee, Esquire, Sheriff of Bombay, has been added to the portrait gallery of the chieftains and sirdars of the Deccan. The portrait is finished by Mr. Theodore Jensen, and was subscribed to by the citizens of Bombay.—*Ibid.*

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR will arrive at Gunnesh Khind to-morrow, when he will, we understand, inspect the Katriz Tunnel on his way. We hope that His Excellency will, after personal inspection, cause the facings of the tunnel to be lined to make it safe for travellers passing through so as to avoid any danger to life and limb.—*Ibid.*

MORTUARY RETURNS.—The total number of deaths registered during the week ending Tuesday, 23rd November, was 273, being a decrease of 35 as compared with the preceding week, 22 less than the total of the week ending 24th November 1868, and 33 less than the mean of the corresponding period in the previous five years. During the week 90 births were reported in the different districts of the city.

Section or Sub-Section.	Population by Census of 1864.	Cholera.	Small-pox.	Measles.	Fever.	Other diseases.	Accident & Violence.	Unknown Cause.	Total, exclusive of Still-born.	Total deaths in the week exclusive of Still-born.
Colaba	19,161			1	5				6	2
Fort, Southern	2,455									
Fort, Northern	39,356				2	9			11	4
Esplanade	7,893			1		1			2	
Market	75,402		5	21		21			26	10
Madhav Baug	44,152		1	6		7			14	6
Chuckla	41,442		3	16		19			38	8
Gomberkhare	63,020		3	11		21			35	16
Dongree	60,250			4		6			10	3
Dhobeetalao	71,700		3	6		9			18	3
Phunnywaree	22,522			3		7			10	
Bhendykhwar	30,283			9		7			16	
Kharatalao	23,454			13		7			20	6
Koombarwara	23,025		4	5		2			11	11
Khetwaree	9,000		2	1					3	1
Girgaum	21,500		1	6		7			14	2
Chaoputee	6,184			1		1			2	1
Walkeshwar	16,004			2		2			4	
Mahaluxmee	9,144			2					2	
Mazagon	21,784			1		3			4	
Parwaree	9,402			2		1			3	2
Kamathepoora	81,675			23		21	1		45	4
Parel	9,000					3			3	
Sewree	5,042					1			1	
Seo	12,078									
Mahim	19,459			2					2	1
Worlee	10,211			2		1			3	
Harbour	32,582	1				3			4	1
Non-Residents and Unknown				2		10			12	
Bombay	816,562	1	1	108	157	5	1	273	90	
Mean of the corresponding weeks in the preceding 5 years		19	2	1	158	120	6	306		

The following statement shows the number of death in the different races or castes:—

Race or Caste.	Cholera.	Small-pox.	Measles.	Fever.	Other diseases.	Accidents and Violence.	Unknown Cause.	Total, exclusive of Still-born.	Total deaths in the week exclusive of Still-born.
Boodhist—Jain, &c			6	14				20	1
Brahmin			6	5				11	1
Lingaet				1				1	
Bengalee			1	3		1		5	
Hindoo of other Caste			50	68	3		1	121	47
Hindoo out-caste			1	36	42	1		80	24
Mussulman		1		2	6			8	11
Parsee					2			8	11
Jew									
Native-Christian				3	3			6	1
Indo-European					2				2
European					1				1
Negro-African				1	3		1	8	
Chinese									
Unknown Races									
Total	1		108	157	5	1	273	90	
Corresponding week 1868		17	2	2	101	173			295	84

A QUERY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Can you or any of your readers tell me where I can get a copy of the New Civil and Military Furlough Rules, with all the recent orders and rulings thereon forms, &c., requisite in making application?

23rd November. MILITAIRE.

[We can only refer to the "Gazette of India" *passim.*]

PERIOD ALLOWED FOR LANDING GOODS

UNDER the provisions of section I. of Act XVII. of 1869, the Right Honourable the Governor in Council is pleased to order that the period to be allowed to importers, owners, or consignees for landing goods after the entry of the vessel importing the same, shall be as follows:—In the case of a ship, at any time with in 72 hours (exclusive of Sundays and holidays) after the report of the ship. In the case of a steamer, at any time within 48 hours after the report of the steamer.—*Bombay Government Gazette.*

FORT POLICE COURT.—25TH NOV.

(Before NANA MOROJEE, Esq.)

REFUSAL OF DUTY.—Augustus Peterson and William Mason, seamen of the ship Baldovan, were charged with wilful disobedience of lawful commands in refusing to do duty on board the ship, and were sentenced to imprisonment for a fortnight.

FALSE PRETENCES.—Jayee, woman, was charged with obtaining by false pretences on the 22nd inst. two gold rings and Rs. 25 in cash, belonging to Veerdas Jeevandas. The woman was adjudged guilty, and sentenced to be imprisoned for six months.

AN OLD OFFENDER.—Abdool Rehman, an old offender, was sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment, on a charge of being found between sunset and sunrise yesterday in a building without being able satisfactorily to account for the same.

GIRGAUM POLICE COURT.—25TH NOV.

(Before R. H. SHOWELL, Esq.)

GAMBLING.—Shiva Rowjee and four others were charged with gaming with dice and money and were fined one rupee each.

INDIAN ITEMS.

CHARGE OF DEFAMATION.—On Wednesday last, Mr. P. B. Gordon, on behalf of Mr. S. Bates, applied for a summons at the Rozpettah Police Court, against General Sir Rowland Smyth for defamation. The application was granted, and the summons made returnable on the 23rd instant.—*Madras Mail*, Nov. 20.

SOMETHING LIKE TELEGRAPHIC DESPATCH.—We are informed that the usual message sent to the P. and O. Agent regarding the departure of the Simla from Galle had anchored in the Roads, although the message was dispatched from Galle on the 17th instant. The line is said to have been perfectly clear. The question therefore arises "whom shall we hang?"—*Ibid.*

A GROSS INJUSTICE—It would seem that the real meaning of the resolution of the Government of India insisting upon reduction of establishments, is not properly understood by heads of departments. We have heard of a case in which the head of an office has proposed to reduce the salaries all round, of course excepting his own, but maintaining the present strength so far as numbers are concerned. Surely it was never contemplated that the Supreme Government's resolution should be taken in such a light, and it is to be hoped the local Government will take early steps to cause its real meaning to be made known, before much mischief could be done by officials who seem to feel that, whether right or wrong, they *must* do something to show a saving!—*Madras Athenæum*, Nov. 20.

THE PARSEE PRIEST CASE.

THE hearing of the charge against Jamsetjee Sorabjee Madun for defamation was commenced before Mr. Justice Westropp and a common jury in the Criminal Sessions on Wednesday—Mr. McCulloch and Mr. Starling appearing for the prosecution, and Mr. Serjeant Atkinson and Mr. Perozshaw Merwanjee Mehta for the defence.

Mr. McCulloch, in opening the case, explained the position of the Parsee priests and the arrangements with reference to them in their own community. The priesthood was hereditary, and a priest might engage in a trade or profession apart from the priestly functions, and then he could, at any period, resume his priestly functions on leaving the secular work and performing some ceremonies. Each large community of Parsees had a dustoor or high priest, and twenty-four years ago there was one in Bombay named Eduljee Sunjana. He was acknowledged by all the Parsees here as their high priest, but at the time of his death his son, Pestonjee, who would have succeeded, was an infant. The office, therefore, remained in abeyance, but some time after a dustoor came from Surat, and was recognized by some of the Parsees. When Pestonjee grew up, some acknowledged Pestonjee, and about a year ago the leading gentlemen of the Parsee community thought it advisable to have only one recognized dustoor. This caused considerable excitement; the rivals belonged to different families,—the Sunjana and the Jamasp Assa,—and though the gentlemen were not very active themselves, their friends and partizans had urged their respective claims, and there had been some correspondence on the subject in the native papers. In the course of this, some injudicious friend of the Sunjana family had inserted a letter in one of the papers, saying that one of the Jamasp Assa family had married a lady who was not of the sect, at Newsaree, and had been excommunicated. It seemed to have been thought a pity that such a letter should have been published, but it was published, rightly or wrongly, and not with the sanction or knowledge of the Sunjana family. On that letter appearing, some friends on the other side, instead of writing that it was a pity personal matters should be introduced, had, under the influence of his excessive indignation, written and published a letter in a newspaper which constituted the libel in this case. Before reading that letter, the learned counsel explained that Nowrojee, regarding whom it was published, was a brother of the Sunjana dustoor. Nowrojee was a priest, but he had occupied himself as a railway contractor at Wassind, then he had undergone the necessary ceremonies, and reverted to the priesthood. He had for the last fourteen years been assisting his brother, Pestonjee, who was in one of the large fire-temples here, and during that time not a single word had been uttered against him until the publication of the letter on the 15th August. There would be no technical difficulty about the letter, for the editor of the *Sunday Review*, on seeing the daring charges in it, had required, before publication, a letter from the author, acknowledging that the letter was his, and agreeing to take the responsibility of publication. The letter that was complained of contained some argumentative matter, with which he would not trouble the jury, and then it stated—"Further (he) writes that about 15 years ago, a member of the same (Asha) family, named Khoarsedji Jamsetji, who is now acting as a mobed (Parsee priest) in the Patel's agiary (fire-temple) in Poona, (a blank in the text) was married to a girl of the womb of a woman of different religion, in consequence whereof, he (Khoarsedji) was excommunicated by the mobeds of Nowsari. By writing this insensible (remark) in this manner, he has endeavoured to lower and degrade the aforesaid respectable family. We say that should that story be true, the aforsaid Khoarsedji has not done so knowingly; but he has done it under the influence of the symbols of the usage and practice of the Zoroastrians. Now, we know, that as the above writer has endeavoured to do good to himself by taking disparagingly of this poor family, he is, in the same way, ashamed to expose the truth respecting the Sanjana family; but (people) like Pestonjee could not have forgotten that about five years ago on the 1st day of the *Gatha*, a Parsee named Barjorji Pestonji performed the navijod (ceremony) of his two sons in the *staodeen* (fire-temple) of Vadgyah, at which navijod ceremony, Peshootonji removed his panthaki (family priest), and performed that ceremony in company of his own brother Nowrojee, in consequence of which, the said panthaki (family priest) spoke in a loud voice, at that very place, as follows:—'What an oppression (this) is.' 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Serjeant Atkinson here stated, in reply to the Judge, that it was intended to be said for the defence that the charges were true; and he also remarked that he was ready to say, on his learned friend's own showing, that they did not constitute a libel. The charge of incontinence had been decided over and over again not to be libellous, even if against ministers of the Gospel.

His Lordship remarked that he had wished to know whether the allegations were persisted in, for were they not, of course he would suggest that this was a proper case for an apology. If they were persisted in, of course he could not make any such suggestion.

Mr. McCulloch remarked, in reference to the observation by his learned friend that charges of this sort were not libellous, that he would venture to suggest, subject to what His Lordship would say, that it was a matter of very slight importance what the charges were if the result of them was to deprive a man of his living. The result of the foolish and improper publication of these charges had been that the prosecutor was suspended, and that must be a matter for serious consideration. He next wished to draw attention to the justification for publishing such statements. If such a thing were known to a man, it might be a public duty for him to state it, and in discharging that public duty a man was not guilty of an offence, and was not deserving punishment. That seemed to be a correct statement of the law on that point. He was not saying a word about the rights of the press. That was a question which did not arise in this case at all. They were aware of the desirability of a free discussion of some matters, and he did not wish to say anything against that, but only as to what the law had said as to the publication of libels. The law, then, said that it was not defamation to say anything which was true concerning any person if it were for the public good that it should be published; and it went on to say that whether or not it was for the public good was a question of fact,—that was that it was a question for the jury to decide. Now, assuming that the charges in this letter were true, it would be for the jury to say whether, fourteen years after the occurrence and five years after the charges were said to have been publicly announced, it was desirable to publish the charges in a newspaper instead of communicating them to the prosecutor's superiors. In deciding this question it would be necessary for the jury to see what were the motives that led this man to publish the letter. Well, the writer himself told them he took publish it in order to open the eyes of the community, to put the community on their guard against this priest, but he said—"The friends of the Sunjana have published a report concerning my friends, the Jamasp Assa family, and said that one of them has married a lady that is not a Parsee. Now, if he will say things on their side, and in order to injure the rival dustoor, I will tell you something about his brother,"—and so on. By the time the letter was written the alleged occurrence was fourteen years old, the prosecutor was not in any public way before the community, there was no election going on—it was only a discussion among the heads of the community as to whom they would recognize—and was it fair to endeavour to humiliate one dustoor by saying, "Oh, you are going to appoint this Sunjana as dustoor: look to his brother, what a scoundrel he is?" Even in an election at home where things are carried rather fast, supposing a gentleman was candidate for a borough; would it be a legitimate argument to say, "Don't elect him, for his brother is a scoundrel;" and to publish some charges against the brother?

His Lordship remarked that there was the statement in the letter that the dustoor employed this man as an assistant.

Mr. McCulloch said he was satisfied the jury would be convinced there was no justification for the publication of the charges even did they find them true, which he was sure they would not. He then asked the Court whether he would be permitted to wait the proof of the truth of the charges and the conversation in the temple, and then give evidence in rebuttal?

Mr. Serjeant Atkinson here stated that he intended to rely only on the truth of the charges of keeping a woman and eating food prepared by a Mussalman cook. He did not intend to put any questions as to the scene at the navijod ceremony.

Mr. McCulloch remarked that that did not give him an opportunity of proving the falsity of this statement. He would, therefore, show that the whole of this detailed dramatic account of what had taken place in a temple was a lie from beginning to end, and if he succeeded in that, surely the defendant should be punished for his deliberate falsehood, and it would be for the jury to say what importance they would attach to any attempt to establish the rest of the libel.

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Evidence was then called for the prosecution, the first witness being Mr. Sorabjee Cursetjee, the proprietor of the *Sunday Review*. He said the defendant had called at his office on 12th August last, and there wrote the letter, containing the alleged libel, and which appeared in his paper of the 15th August, and had given witness a letter accepting all responsibility of the publication.

Mr. Merwanjee Manockjee Setna, merchant, and proprietor of one of the oldest Fire Temples in the island of Bombay, examined by Mr. McCulloch, gave evidence as to the dispute in the Parsee community from last year as to who should be their acknowledged dustoor. In this dispute all sorts of rubbish had been written to the native papers on the subject. He considered this letter containing the alleged libel to be amongst the rubbish. If such charges as had been made against the prosecutor were proved against any priest it would disqualify him from the rights and privileges of a priest.

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The publication of these steam shipping reports will, no doubt, afford food for controversy: the statements therein are likely to be reproduced by mine-owners, coal factors, merchants, and agents, in favour of or against certain qualities of coal. Every colliery proprietor whose coal has been depreciated by this official digest will feel aggrieved, as it is obvious that the reports will stand as certificates, and serve for reference. One fact is brought out very clearly in the return, that is, the loss of heating power is proportioned to the exposure of the coal to atmospheric influence. We have often commented on this peculiar feature, and shown that, in trials of relative speed, no positive result could be secured unless the fuel consumed on every occasion was raised from the same seam of coal, and also at one time. We have dwelt upon the fact that decomposition commences the moment coal comes into contact with air, and that to secure its steam generating properties it should be kept under cover. This is an important consideration for large consumers of coal, as the price is the same whether the fuel be efficient or not. A loss in heating power of 25 per cent. means that it takes 100 lbs. of coal to do the work of 75 lbs. This in stowage and economy of working expenses, must tell immensely upon the revenue of a steamship company. In the August number of the *Journal of the Franklin Institute* attention is directed to this peculiar feature. In the article to which we allude it is stated that, in one case where hard coal is used in large quantities for purposes of mere evaporation, some of which had been kept on hand in open piles for five or six months, the effective force is less by from 13 to 15 per cent. than that freshly mined. In coal used in a smelting furnace there is a corresponding per-centage of deterioration. The writer remarks that it is a curious fact, and without a sufficient reason. The fact, however, remains, as we have shown before, and we may quote from this Parliamentary Return to further establish what we have said. For instance, the Welsh coal called Powell's Duffryn appears to have been rather extensively consumed by the ships mentioned in the report, and spoken of in most cases as good and fit for the service. We find, however, that the Ariadne took in 615 tons of this coal at Alexandria, and, though to all appearance good, it had been exposed to the atmosphere and become powerless. The Barracouta was furnished with 52 tons of Welsh coal, the name of the mine unknown to contractor, which proved "perished by age and exposure," and produced 20 per cent. of ash. The Endymion had 107 tons of Ebbw Vale at Gibraltar, which burnt very fast and were decayed. This old or new consumption may account for a coal being condemned as unfit for steam purposes in one ship, and in another being highly praised. The ventilation of engine-rooms and form of furnaces must have, in a measure, to do with the waste with coal burning. We may exemplify this by further extracts from the Admiralty compilation. The Terrible coaled at Devonport with about 400 tons, composed of Welsh and Hartley. There was no other waste than 2 per cent. of clinker: the ashes were burnt and the smoke was very light. The Salamis, with the Welsh coals supplied to her at Hong Kong, made 27, 28, and 30 per cent. of clinker and ash. Coal would seem to be burned with different results. Take, for instance, Nixon's Navigation, about the best supplied in Marine furnaces. On board the Vivid at Woolwich this coal left 4 per cent. of ash and 3 per cent. of clinker. The Boxer had 4 tons supplied to her at Rio de Janeiro, and gave 12 per cent. of ash, and 009 per cent. of clinker. The Megæra had 160 tons of the same coal at Rio de Janeiro, which left only 9 per cent. of ash and clinker; and on 120 tons put on board the Oberon there, by the contractor, the waste was only 7 per cent., together tallying exactly with the consumption in the Boxer. Nixon's Navigation and Aberdare mixed, furnished to the Caradoc at Patras, was pronounced as "fair," but left 19·5 per cent. of waste. Mixtures of Welsh with North-country coal, in various proportions, have been tried with different results. Taking the Welsh as a whole it gives considerably more clinker than North-country coals, but less dense smoke. If, therefore, the smoke could be consumed—and we believe it can—there would, perhaps, be a better demand for the last-named coals. The tugs of Mr. Watkins are said not to throw out any smoke, and, if this can be effected with 150-or 200-horse power engines in the Thames, and with a saving of fuel, we do not see why a like efficiency cannot be attained in the Navy. North-country coal is objected to by captains of H.M. ships because it makes a black smoke, and begrimes the masts and sails, besides denoting the position of a ship of war to an enemy. Welsh, therefore, unless in special cases, will be preferred to North-country, though we find by the reports here commented upon that many of the former emit smoke more or less black and dense. In the report from the Psyche on consumption of 195 tons of Wayne's Merthyr, it is said that, to burn well in that ship, they require to be mixed with North-country coal, and a similar suggestion is made on Neville's Llanelly, burnt on board the Wizard. In the Aspall a large amount of sulphur was present, though the coal generated steam kindly, and left less than 4 per cent. of waste. The Galatea coaled at Adelaide with 605 tons of Newcastle (New South Wales), which was of a very inferior class, in consequence of which they gave off, choked the tubes of the boilers. The ash and clinker were 10 per cent. At Sydney the Galatea took on board 228 tons of Illawara (N.S.W.) coal; these are reported as generating steam well, being economical, and yielding only 7 per cent. of ash, with no clinkers. There was very great difference in Welsh coals. Nantmelyn Merthyr, tried on board the Magnet, are said to have been uneven in quality, the good parts generating steam quickly and producing good results, while the bad parts fused the fire bars, rendering them quite useless. In one case, after steaming twelve hours, 70 bars were fused together in lots of five, six, and seven, thereby destroying the means of perfect combustion. The Zealous was supplied with 222 tons of Nansimo coal at Esquimalt, which were found fair and fit for the service, leaving 18 per cent. of ash, 5 per cent. of clinker, with a great quantity of smoke. The same ship had 60 tons of Philadelphia anthracite, which burned well, gave 19 per cent. of ash, with no clinkers, and were smokeless. The East India transport steam troopships seem to be the largest consumers of coal. The Serapis, during the six months, took in 3,634 tons, and the three other ships about equal quantities. These must be expensive ships to work and maintain, and though they take large numbers of officers, soldiers, and crew, it is questionable whether the Government have saved anything by their employment. Contract vessels, we suspect would prove much cheaper to the State; and, when the Suez Canal is opened, and ships of lesser draught can proceed through, without transhipment, economy will demur to the wisdom of continuing them in the service. Whilst this Return is replete with information to steamship owners, they should remember that all furnaces are not of the same construction. Allowances in this respect should be made in estimating the value of coal. Above all, it is necessary to learn when a given coal left the pit's mouth, and how it was protected when in store.—*Mitchell's Maritime Register.*

TELEGRAPHIC COMMUNICATION.

(*Globe*, Oct. 29.)

WE understand that at the commencement of the year, on the Government taking over the telegraphs, the public is to be benefitted by the choice of having their messages transmitted in cypher. This will be a very great boon to the commercial public, as in the present and the past complaints have been numerous against the publicity given to telegrams. The system which the Postmaster-General has already sanctioned for public use consists in a numerical code applied to and embracing the entire English language. In order to transmit a message by this code it is necessary only as far as the telegraph clerk-keeper is concerned, to telegraph a number or groups of figures. Oftentimes in one of these groups a whole message is contained, and in body they never exceed more than five figures, which, taking each figure as a letter, represents the mean of the words in the English language. Now it is very evident that by the adoption of such a system the Post Office must save a considerable amount of time and labour; but notwithstanding this fact, that office demands that the public shall pay for each figure as a word, or, in plain English, that whilst they benefit everything by the use of the code, the public is only to enjoy the advantage of its use by sending their messages in cypher.

FATHER HYACINTHE IN AMERICA.

THE New York papers, which reached London on Oct 29, are full of the arrival of Father Hyacinthe, which took place on the 16th. The reverend gentleman had not landed before he had a lesson in American manners. He was at once attacked by the reporters, one of whom (the representative of the *New York Times*) writes: "The steward kindly pointed out the object of our search, who was then walking fore and aft, reading, as all Catholic priests daily do, from his breviary the 'Office' set apart for each day. Pausing to survey the man whose name has been borne on the wings of fame to the remotest bounds of Christendom, we could not help being amazed at the calm simplicity of his exterior. He is below the middle height, stout, stoops a little, has grey hair, dark eyes, and a round face. At a distance there is nothing striking in his appearance, but the moment you come in contact with him you feel an indescribable charm coming over you, and, when he speaks, his soft, earnest voice completes the fascination, and you are completely won. Immediately you realize that this is no ordinary man, but one whose mental powers are marvellously developed. He is gentlemanly and affable withal—the bean ideal of refinement. Approaching him, we took advantage of a pause in his reading to introduce ourself, and to make known the object of our visit. He very politely accorded us a brief interview, during which he told us that he was in excellent health, and, apart from a little fatigue, felt not a whit the worse for his journey. He came to America for the purpose of learning more of the people and studying their institutions. He informed us that he purposed sojourning among us for two months at least."

SELFISH.—"My dear," said Mr. B. to his wife, while his smiling countenance indicated the consciousness of having done a good action, "I have just had my life insured for your benefit." "Well, I declare," said Mrs B., looking round upon her family and fends with an expression of injured innocence, "that to think of the selfishness of man, and particularly of husbands! There, you have been and had your life insured, while your poor wife may go without my insurance on here. It's just what I would expect of you!"

A FENIAN FIELD DAY.

(*Daily Telegraph*, Oct 25.)

THE proverbial dulness of a London Sunday afternoon was yesterday enlivened, at least so far as the Western section of the metropolis was concerned, by strains of secular music, banners of various colours, furlongs of green significant ribbon, pantomimic fasces apparently made of inferior chocolate, property pikes like elongated wicket-stumps, blood-red Phrygian caps, columns of patriotic but not often pretty maids and matrons, proudly caracoling popular tribunes and various other incongruous items of tint, noise, and humanity, such as make up a demonstrational procession in this inartistic, unimaginative city. The Fenian sympathisers, fraught or inspired with a noble purpose, marched in their majesty and might through our chief thoroughfares of pleasure—took possession for a time of "the finest site in Europe"—and finally occupied Hyde Park in considerable force, where they had it all their own way, in the matter of ranting, until they were hoarse and weary. From first to last nobody interfered with them: the base, bloodthirsty hirelings of the cruel Saxon oppressor, awed by the portentous dignity of their attitude, shrunk, trembling, from their path, and sought, in obscure retreats, a shameful, paltry safety. Cowed by the stately vigour of the intrepid Erse, the mercenaries of tyranny hid their craven crests, nor dared to interfere with the grim frolics of the sovereign proletary; the "crusher" was morally crushed; and the first principle of liberty, that everybody shall be allowed to do exactly as he pleases regardless of public convenience, established law, or common decency, was triumphantly vindicated. To say that any practical results were attained by the proceedings of the Fenian Brotherhood yesterday afternoon, beyond the mutilation of a few venerable trees in the Park, would be inconsistent with truth; the fact being that the procession was vulgarly carnivalesque, the oratory weak and turgid, and the whole business as puerile as it was troublesome. But, as a sixpence may sometimes be discovered lurking in the unsavoury bosom of a dustheap, so was an atom of genuine, serviceable good to be eliminated from the heterogeneous mess which the patriots of Erin made of their Sunday demonstration; namely, that the dread confraternity, whose very name has for years served as a chronic bogey to grown-up Englishmen, is a harmless, and somewhat humorous, corporation. The ferocity that is expressed by a childish self-decoration with paper rosettes—by the mitigated voluptuousness of parading the streets to "Garry Owen" and the "Minstrel Boy"—by the waving of calico banners and the brandishing of wooden-headed pikes—is not so terrible after all; and, if we could only view it in the proper light, unbiassed by our savage Saxonesh prejudices and hatreds, there is comfort to us in such processions as that of yesterday—there is solace to our terror and assurance of our peace. For by and through them we learn to know our London Fenians as they are—innocuous, perhaps cheery—not, as our excited imaginations have pictured them to us, thirsting for our blood and property.

Strolling at noontide along the line of route selected by the Brotherhood for their march, one was agreeably surprised to find the streets calm, undisturbed, impavid; not a symptom of panic broke the sweet stillness that pervades our main thoroughfares on the day of prescribed rest. The first symptom of Fenianism we noticed was a somewhat murky demagogue, whose long lank hair told a thrilling tale of organised resistance to constituted authorities, issuing from a small public-house in Vine-street, accompanied by a leash of dirty admirers, wiping their lips. That he held high authority in the patriot band was evident from the comparative splendour of his decorations—broad green sash, yellow collar, green and yellow rosette with scarlet tassels dependent from its centre; that he had been led by the overpowering nature of his feelings to steep his mortal frame in drink was visible to the naked eye, for he was stiff with liquor. We were informed, as he strode with unsteady but unmistakable step towards Swan and Edgar's, that he was "the leader of a column"—whatever that office or dignity of Fenianhood may be; to the uninitiated gaze he appeared rather to be eminently qualified to lean against a column than to lead one. As we approached Trafalgar-square, rendezvous of all the urban and suburban cohorts, there gathered together for the information of Erin's heroes, who became aware of a violent drumming and trumpeting, musically picturesque enough at a great distance, but hideous and excruciating as it drew nearer and more near. Can we believe our ears?—the band is a Fenian band, and the air is—"Tommy Dodd"—Tommy Dodd was not an Irishman far less a Fenian, so far as we know—at least no evidence of authority has hitherto been adduced in favour of the theory that he came of a Milesian and rebellious stock. However this may be, there he was, for the nonce, a full-grown "sympathiser," put forward with such emphasis of drum and rhythmical energy of cymbals, that he might have been taken for Old Glory Liberator himself. Presently he subsided into silence, amidst loud plaudits; and the "Marseillaise" took his place. Nothing could be more inconsequent, as a musical utterance; but a large number of misguided persons thought fit to hail the hymn of the barricades with frantic enthusiasm, waving hats, handkerchiefs, and caps.

This ill-considered bray of the brass seemed to be the signal for the starting of the procession, which accordingly defiled at a sharp walk before us in the following order: Band, headed by banner with "Free our Prisoners!" or words to that effect, inscribed in gilt letters upon a green ground. Cohort of Fenians with banner exhorting the Supreme Being to "Save Ireland!" Open cab, containing Mr. M'Donnell and three very pretty young ladies. Banner, "Erin for ever!" The "Ladies" column, consisting of robust apple-women and the wives and daughters of dockyard labourers out of work (thus illustrating strongly the sympathetic grass-green symbol of sympathy, and headed by a powerful young woman waving a gorgeous flag with remarkable perseverance. Many of the "ladies" having gone so far past the prime of life as to be merging into infirmity, this part of the procession marched past in rather a lame and, if we may venture to say so, waddling manner, but it stuck to its purpose of woman-fully and was impenetrable to chaff. After the battalion of Amazons had gone by, nothing more of interest presented itself in the long column of "demonstrators," save a few flags slightly tainted with sedition as regarded their inscriptions—*e.g.*, "Trust in God and keep your powder dry!" "Vive la République!" "Disobedience to Tyrants is Duty to God;" and "Release the Captives, or withdraw the statement *of governing* Ireland according to Irish opinion"—the last of which exhortations may be impressive, but is certainly not grammatical. The bulk of the Fenian Brotherhood appeared to be composed of down-cast, broken-spirited labourers, either on strike or badly in want of a job, utterly indifferent to the performance in which they were actors, and trudging along mechanically as if in the fulfilment of an irksome, unmeaning duty.

The first and last thing of any significance that we heard in the Park—save and except a statement made by a Common Councillor of Leeds (and received with rapturous cheering), to the effect that "not only ought the prisoners to be released, but they ought to be paid a handsome sum of money as compensation for the injustice done them"—was the declamation by a couple of cadgers of a mock Litany composed for the occasion by some Fenian humourist, several passages of which were amazingly *ad rem*, and, moreover, delightfully reckless in the matter of syntax, besides being figurative, allegorical, and altogether Hibernian in the incongruities with which they were replete. We quote from memory one or two choice bits: "When the down-trodden sons of Aaron" (probably "Erin" in the original) "shall dig their spades into their soil, free from the gravel of tyranny, then shall the wrongs of Ireland cease." "Therefore, I pray and beseech *thee*, O John Bull *and Sandy*, to sympathise with poor brother Pat, who, for knocking his shillaegh a little too hard about the heads of varmint, was popped into quod until the almighty people shall compel the Lords of St. Stephen's to let *them* go free." "Now it came to pass, when that renowned Irish champion, Bryan O'Lynn, bequeathed his ghost" (a pretty bequest!) "to all the wakes in Tipperary, behold there arose four Kings to suck up the best of the buttermilk and dance with the prettiest girls in cold Ireland." "Agriate, O Patriots, we beseech *thee*!" There is a rollicking carelessness as to number in this last invocation that cannot fail to excite the admiration of every true Irishman; whilst the "gravel of tyranny" may surely claim a place amongst those incongruities of utterance the paragon of which was spoken by a famous Irish judge in his admonition to a prisoner upon whom he was about to pronounce sentence: "Heaven has bestowed upon you talents and abilities of the highest order; *instead of which* you go about the country stealing ducks."

The sight of the day—and few sights in Europe are more impressive—was the glorious green Park, crowded with all the idlers of London, whom curiosity had attracted to see "what the Fenians would do." At least a hundred thousand people were assembled within its spacious precincts; and although there was a little crowding round the group of oak trees that has become of late years a sort of forum for the promulgation of extravagant and violent opinions, nothing could exceed the good humour and self-control manifested by this enormous gathering throughout the whole proceedings. Not a policeman was to be seen near the place of meeting; indeed, the presence of a few of those "ruthless myrmidons of the law" might have served as a wholesome check upon the predatory instincts of our juvenile fellow-townsmen, who employed each shining hour in relieving the better dressed amongst the spectators of their portable property with considerable dexterity and precision. If petty larceny was actively present in our very midst, however, brutality was conspicuous by its absence; there was literary no fighting, and but little bad language that we could hear—at least, among the audience. The very entry of the Fenian columns into the Park had nothing of the terrible, the sombre, the menacing about it; it wore the semblance, rather, of a holiday jaunt, in which a certain number of British lads and lasses had engaged themselves with a view to enjoying the fresh air, the green fields, and their national music. We know few tunes more suggestive of down the middle and up again than "St. Patrick's Day," unless, indeed, "Garry Owen" be the supremely lively exception; and to both of these airs, played simultaneously in different keys, and producing an effect strikingly though unintentionally Wagnerish, did the wronged sons of poor Erin advance to their trysting-place. Another comic feature of their invasion was the exiguous strength of their cavalry division, which had been magniloquently announced in the programme as a procession of horses, whereas it turned out to be a pair—and not well matched either, nor particularly well ridden. The Fenians, we imagine (at least their London legionaries) are not great at "feats of gallant horsemanship."

To sum up yesterday's demonstration in a few words, we would say that it was useless, unnecessary, and silly; the cause of much inconvenience to the inhabitants of the West-end; conceived, arranged, and carried out in the worst possible taste; beneficial to nobody, and imposed upon a large number of poor, ignorant, easily-led men and women in order to afford a few wordy demagogues the opportunity of delivering frothy effusions, which, fortunately for the public, could be heard by very few persons beside themselves.

THE PENINSULA OF SINAI.

THE Vice-Chancellor of the University of Cambridge has published to the Senate a report which he has received from E. H. Palmer, B. A., Fellow of St. John's College, to whom grants were made by the Senate from the Worts Travelling Bachelors' Fund, for the purpose of enabling him to prosecute certain researches in the peninsula of Sinai. Mr. Palmer accompanied the Sinai Survey Expedition, and in his report says—

"While at Cairo I endeavoured to make myself acquainted with the rules which determine the value of Arabic manuscript. Sculpture and painting, or at least the delineation of living creatures, being prohibited to Mohamedans by their religion, they have no other field for the exercise of their talents for fine art than that afforded by mural decoration, and writing or illumination. Calligraphy has, therefore, been cultivated by them to an extent which can scarcely be conceived in this country. The rules which govern this science are, though more precise, founded upon as exact æsthetic principles as those of fine art criticism here. This fact has been completely overlooked by European Orientalists, and the comparative value of many of the manuscript treasures in our libraries consequently little, if at all, understood.

"It was impossible during so short a stay in Cairo to make any extensive purchases of MSS., and I therefore determined to restrict myself to making a selection of printed works which should supply the chief deficiencies which I knew to exist in the University Library.

"Thanks to the assistance and advice of Mr. Ayrton, an English gentleman and scholar, residing at Cairo, and a Bey of the Turkish Empire, and with the kind co-operation of Hussein Bey and other Egyptian authorities, I have procured a number of standard works selected especially for the purpose of illustrating the literature, history, and theology of the East. These I shall hand over with a descriptive catalogue to the Syndicate of the University Library.

"The subjects of my investigations while with the surveying party were:—1, The Nomenclature of the Country; 2, The Traditions; 3, The Inscriptions.

"The method pursued by me was as follows:—

"I accompanied the officers during the actual process of making the survey, and taking with me the most intelligent Bedawin that I could find belonging to the particular locality, I inquired the name of each place as its position was noted down upon the map. I then made further inquiry in the neighbourhood from other Arabs, and never accepted a name without independent and separate testimony to corroborate the information I had at first received. Having in this manner satisfied myself of the accuracy of my information, I proceeded to inquire into the meaning and origin of the name, the first set down against each one not only what I knew to be the signification of the word, but the meaning which my informant himself attached to it. I found this method invaluable for testing the accuracy of my orthography; and, although the reasons given were not unfrequently trivial or even ridiculous, they served the purpose of corroborative evidence.

"We made a special survey of the immediate neighbourhood of Jebel Musa and Jebel Serbal, and a route survey of more than 800 miles; the name of every place set down in these surveys I have ascertained and corroborated by the process just described.

"The nomenclature of the East may be divided into three classes:—1, Names derived from some physical peculiarity or natural production of the spot; 2, those derived from former owners or inhabitants; 3, those derived from legendary or historical associations. Arbitrary appellations, I believe, never occur.

"If more attention were paid to these distinctions and to the character of the people, many errors of travellers and explorers would be avoided. I need not expatiate upon the value of such accuracy both to the Biblical critic and the geographer, for, as the Archbishop of Dublin has truly and pithily remarked, Arab tradition is 'fossilized' in their nomenclature, and often furnishes undying testimony to the truth of Scripture.

"I now come to the second part of my working—the collection of traditions and legends current among the inhabitants of the Sinai desert.

"Arab tradition has undoubtedly been influenced, and in some places supplanted, by monkish legend, but there still exist abundant traces of an independent oral tradition of the events of the Exodus. I have endeavoured to form a complete collection of all these stories, and to gain collateral information which should induce me to decide upon the authenticity of the various accounts. My usual practice was to devote a portion of every evening to a conversation with the Arabs over their camp fires, and to take down in their own words the tales and stories which each had to recount. These I tested by subsequent inquiries whenever I reached a spot to which I either knew or supposed a legand to attach, and in this way succeeded in bringing to light many interesting traditions which are not only undoubtedly native in their origin, but even singularly harmonistic to the monkish accounts, and which have an important bearing upon the history of the Exodus. Among these I may mention an Arab tradition of the rock struck by Moses in Horeb, which, taken in connexion with other circumstances, would tend to fix the site of the miracle at the eminence immediately overlooking the valley of Feirán. The so-called Rock of Moses in the vicinity of the convent is a palpable invention of the monks and is virtually disregarded by the Arabs; the rock in Feirán is much venerated by them, however, and they still perform religious ceremonies before it. The tradition has never before been noticed by travellers.

"Wherever it was possible, taken down the very words of my Arab informants, and have in this manner collected materials for an interesting notice of the peculiarities of Bedawin dialect and pronunciation.

"There are many other legends of great Biblical and ethnological interest to which I cannot do more than allude, as my intention in the present report is rather to explain the nature than the details of the results at which I have arrived.

"With regard to the so-called Sinaitic inscriptions I wish to make my own position clearly understood. In a matter which has occasioned so much controversy I wished to form an opinion for myself before criticising the theories of others. It was not therefore because I depreciated the labours of my predecessors that I determined to postpone consulting their works until I should have left the peninsula, but in order that I might bring a practical knowledge of the subject to bear upon my criticism which should prevent me from being captivated by mere attractive theories. With this view I proceeded carefully to copy and examine them, and although I could not help remarking that they were undoubtedly nothing more than a phase of the ordinary Aramaic character, and as such should present no difficulty to the Semitic scholar, I adhered to my resolution of accepting nothing on mere conjecture or analogy, and after some time succeeded in deciphering them by a perfectly independent and self-interpreting process. On subsequently comparing the results which I had thus obtained with the works of Beer, Tuch, and others, I felt much satisfaction at finding that while the conclusions of those eminent scholars were confirmed as to the main facts of the interpretation, I was in a position to supply deficiencies and to correct errors in their work and to produce proof positive for much that was with them, even when correct, mere conjecture. At the same time my collateral investigations compelled me to take a somewhat different view of the authorship of the inscriptions from that advanced by the savans to whom I have referred. I have brought back a collection of nearly 3,000 of these inscriptions,—in fact, a copy of almost every legible one extant in the peninsula of Sinai, and I have no hesitation in saying that when I have published them with their translations the question of the Sinaitic inscriptions will have been definitely settled. Many of the inscriptions brought home by previous travellers are very fragmentary, and have been hitherto believed to be so much obliterated and weatherworn as to be quite illegible as a whole. By examining these day after day and in every possible light, I have been enabled to recover the greater part and to bring back complete transcripts of them. Since my return I have consulted the magnificent work of the Count de Vogue on the inscriptions in Central Syria, and I am glad to say that many of my own conclusions are corroborated by the results obtained by that gentleman.

"I lay claim to nothing more than to have made a perfectly independent investigation of the subject and to have made use of the opportunities afforded by a lengthened stay in the peninsula, for gaining more ample and accurate information upon this much-disputed topic.

"It was my intention thoroughly to examine, if possible, the library at the convent of Sinai, which is said to contain some important and valuable MSS. This object was frustrated by the reticence and apprehensions of the monks.

"I propose to adopt the following method of publishing the results of my researches:—

"1. Contributions to the Ordnance Survey Report upon the various departments of the work intrusted to me.

"2. A volume containing a more detailed account of my researches, namely,—

"I. A complete *corpus* of the Sinaitic inscriptions, with translations, a history of the entire question, and a dissertation upon their origin and value.

"II. An account of the Bedawin inhabitants of Sinai, their history, manners, customs, and traditions.

"III. The history of Sinai as told by the Arab historians.

"IV. A dissertation upon the nomenclature of Bible lands.

"3. A popular narrative of the Sinai expedition. This I have undertaken at the request of the other members of the party.

"As I am shortly about to start for the Tih, or 'Wilderness of the Wanderings,' the publication of my larger work must necessarily be delayed until my return.

"In that unknown desert, where Monkish influence has never yet penetrated, there must exist many interesting traces and traditions of the wanderings of the Children of Israel, and I confidently anticipate a rich harvest of Biblical and geographical discovery.

"At any rate, I shall endeavour to employ to the best advantage the experience which the liberality of the University enabled me to acquire in my last expedition. Mr. C. F. Tyrwhitt-Drake, of Trinity College, a well-known naturalist and traveller, will accompany me in my journey to the Tih."

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" Scotland and Ireland.....1/11 5/16
Circular Notes.....1/11 1/4

By order of the Directors,
JAMES WINDRAM, Manager.

Bombay, 23rd November, 1869.

CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK of INDIA, LONDON, and CHINA.

EXCHANGE.

The Bank grants Drafts
On London at 6 months' sight above £50 at Is. 11 3/4d. per Rs.
4 " " at Is. 11 5/8d. "
3 " " at Is. 11 9/16d. "
2 " " at Is. 11 1/2d. "
1 " " at Is. 11 7/16d. "
On demand.....at Is. 11 3/8d. "
On Scotland and Ireland.....
Circular Notes for the use of Travellers on the Continent and to Europe, Overland at 1 day's sight.....at Is. 11 5/16d. "

The Bank purchases Bills and grants Drafts payable in Calcutta, Madras, Cocoanada, Ceylon, Hongkong, Foochowfoo, Shanghai, Hankow, Singapore, Penang, Mauritius and Yokohama.

The Bank also draws on the Branches of the Bank of New South Wales.

INTEREST.

On Deposit accounts payable on demand interest will be credited half yearly, on 30th June and 31st December, at the rate of two per cent. per annum on the daily balance not exceeding one Lac Rupees.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS.

12 months.....6 per cent.
6 do.....5 "
3 do.....3 "

All Letters should be addressed and Hoondies made payable to Agent, Chartered Mercantile Bank.

Bombay, 19th November 1869.

COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS.—(Incorporated by National Decrees of 7th and 8th March and by Imperial Decree of 20th July 1864.)

Recognised by the International Convention of 30th April 1862, and by Act No. VIII. of 1864, of the Legislative Council of India, and by Amended Act of 1867.

Subscribed and Paid-up Capital £3,200,000
Reserve Fund 800,000

HEAD OFFICE—PARIS.

AGENCIES.

Bourbon (Reunion), London, Alexandria, Calcutta, Hongkong, Saigon, Shanghai, and Yokohama.

LONDON BANKERS.

The Union Bank of London; Messrs. C. J. Hambro and Sons.

AGENTS IN SCOTLAND.—National Bank of Scotland.

AGENTS IN IRELAND.—{ The Munster Bank, Limited. The Belfast Banking Company.

TERMS OF BUSINESS.

The Bank grants Drafts and Letters of Credit, and purchases and collects Bills, on the above places, and on all the principal Cities and Towns on the Continent of Europe.

Interest is allowed at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on current deposits on the minimum monthly balances.

Investments and sales of all descriptions of British and Foreign Securities, &c., effected.

The Bank takes charge of Securities for customers, and receives Dividends on Indian and Foreign Funds, Railway and other Shares.

Every other description of Banking business transacted.

All remittances to be endorsed "Pay Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris, or order."

E. J. HARDCASTLE,
Manager.

9, Rampart Row, Bombay, 25th August 1869.

AGRA BANK (Limited).—Capital—£1,000,000 (One Million Sterling). In 100,000 Shares of £10 each.

HEAD OFFICE—Nicholas Lane, Lombard Street, London, E.C.

BRANCHES IN INDIA.

Edinburgh Branch—17 St. Andrew Square.

Calcutta.	Agra.	Kurrachee.
Madras.	Bombay.	Lahore.

The Bombay Manager grants Bills of Exchange at the following rates on London at 6 months sight at 1/11 13/16 per Rupee.

On Deposit at 6 months' sight do. 1/11 11/16 "
3 do. 1/11 5/8 "
2 do. 1/11 9/16 "
1 do. 1/11 7/16 "
On demand 1/11 7/16 "
Circular Notes payable throughout Europe .....1/11 7/16 "

No Drafts at six months' sight are granted for sums under £50, and sums under £20 are only drawn for on demand.

INTERESTS.

On Deposits repayable on demand will be credited half-yearly (on 30th June and 31st December) at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the minimum monthly balance not exceeding Rs. 1,00,000, upon all accounts the balances of which have not during the six months fallen below Rs. 1,000. When such has been the case, no interest will be allowed.

On Fixed Deposits subject to 3 months' Notice of withdrawal

Do.	6	do. 4 per cent. per ann.
Do.	12	do. 5
Do.	24	do. 6

The Bank takes charge of Government Paper and other Securities for constituents without charge.

All Drafts or Hoondies forwarded for realisation should be made payable to the Agra Bank (Limited), or order.

Hours of business, 10 to 3; Saturday, 10 to 1.

EDWARD MORRISS, Manager.

Bombay, 24th November, 1869.

FOR SALE.

PAPER FOR SALE.

PRINTING:—Royal 18 to 28 lb., Super-royal 28 lb., Double Royal 36 and 40 lb.

HAND-MADE:—Foolscap, Post, Large Post, Demy, Medium, Royal, Super-royal, Imperial, Bank Medium 13 lb. uncut and also cut into letter paper.

MACHINE-MADE:—Foolscap 9 to 18 lb., superfine cream laid 12 to 18 lb.—Crown 8 lb., Large Post 13 and 15 lb., Medium 18 lb.—Azure laid Foolscap, Demy, Medium, Royal, and Super-royal, "extra strong" for Deeds, &c.

BLOTTING:—Superfine 28 lb.

CARTRIDGE:—Cream shade rolled 25½ by 27½ in.

PACKING:—Casing 22 by 36 in. 50 lb. for Spinning Mills &c.

Apply to our Godown-keeper. PEEL, CASSELS & Co.

Forbes Street, 6th October, 1869.

PREPARED BOARDS for Flooring, Ceiling, Partitions, &c.

TONGUED AND GROOVED.

Whitewood ½ by 6¼ in., ⅓ by 7⅓ in., and ⅓ by 6 in., also Redwood ⅓ by 6 in. and ⅓ by 7⅓ in.

TONGUED, GROOVED AND BEADED.

Whitewood and Redwood ½ by 6¼ in.

For sale in lots of not less than 3,000 Lineal feet deliverable on Carnac Bunder.

Apply to our Godown-keeper. PEEL, CASSELS, & Co.

Forbes Street.

FOR SALE, on Commission, at the Rooms of BOMANJEE DOSSABHOY, Commission Agent, next to the Book and Tract Society, Esplanade:

A second-hand light self-driving pony phaeton.

The property of a Gentleman.

A second-hand light Malvern dog-cart.

A hogskin hunting saddle and bridle by Hinkson.

Just landed.

A neat and light English-built Buggy on C. springs by R. Neas, Longacre.

A light article with pole and bar and a spare shaft to convert it into a Dog-cart at pleasure by Pearce and Countze, Longacre with two harness saddles.

A 2 st-class Clarence by Neas, Liverpool.

The properties of Gentlemen.

A nearly new small self-driving or park Phaeton on C. springs with moveable driving box by Lewis.

Four second-hand Dog-carts.

A nearly new single horse four-seated Phaeton with moveable shutters.

And also,

The property of a Gentleman.

A second-hand light Mail Phaeton by E. Ketserton with a set of double harness.

The above to be seen at a day's notice to the undersigned.

Just Landed.

A fresh batch of new Malvern dog-carts, painted differently with patent leather dashes, wings to sides, collins patent axles and lancewood shafts.

Just Landed.

A very handsome English-built Mail phaeton with lamps, pole and shaft, by R. Ness, Longacre.

Also,

A new and light palanquin office shigram with a year's guarantee.

The Property of a Gentleman.

A first-rate Madras-built Mail phaeton with lamps, pole and shaft, by Simpson and Co., in excellent order.

Just Landed.

An English-built park phaeton with moveable driving box.

The property of a Gentleman.

2 first-rate miniature brougham by Palliser and Starton.

Just Landed.

A first-rate new Mail phaeton painted and lined green, head with roll back, with lamps, pole, and chain by Hooper and Co., London.

The property of a Gentleman.

A first-rate English-built boat-shaped four seated small open-carriage with moveable glass-shutters.

The property of a Gentleman.

A first-rate English-built boat-shaped open carriage on C. springs by Windover.

Also,

A second-hand English-built door shigram by Thorn.

Just landed ex Star of the South.

1 firs-rate new English-built Malvern dog-cart lining with woollen cloth painted dark blue, Collins patent axles, leather dash and side wings.

Also,

A fresh batch of double and single English-made Child's Perambulators.

Just Unpacked.

A fresh batch of highly furnished buggy, dog-cart and carriage harnesses with double buckles plated on white metal and with